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Two soldiers killed in Lebanon

BEIRUT (UPI). — Armed persons clashed with Lebanese troops yesterday near the southern city of Sidon, which has staged an anti-government strike for the past three days, a military spokesman said. Two soldiers were killed and six others wounded in the fighting.

The clashes broke out when the army attempted to open the road linking Sidon to the neighbouring city of Sour, which demonstrators had closed down with rocks and tyres.

The city went on strike to protest government "suppression" of a demonstration staged on Wednesday by local fishermen against a major commercial company which was awarded coastal fishing rights.

In another incident reported by the army spokesman earlier yesterday, three people were wounded on Friday night in a clash between a Lebanese Army patrol and gunmen near the Israeli border.

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Arab attempt to heal PLO rift with Sadat

By ANAN SAFADI
POST Middle East Affairs Correspondent

The Arab League yesterday launched extensive contacts with several Arab governments in the hope of patching up the rift which flared over the weekend between Egypt and the Palestine Liberation Organization.

The rupture followed Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's refusal last Thursday night to receive a planned PLO delegation because of a PLO statement attacking Egypt's continued endorsement of U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger's "criminal conspiracy" for a Middle East settlement.

Claiming that the statement was directed mainly against the U.S. and not Egypt, the PLO spokesmen yesterday also said that their movement was anxious to avoid a showdown with Cairo. They nevertheless stressed that the PLO had rejected an Egyptian demand that they retract the statement published in "Al-Ahram," in which they accused Cairo of "bartering Arab claims, including those of the Palestinians, for a part of Sinai." The PLO was further said to have turned down a demand by Sadat that the movement's entire 13-man Executive Committee come to Cairo instead of the small delegation which the PLO planned to send.

The chief representative of the PLO in Cairo as well as the representative of the Fatah were in the meantime "recalled" by their superiors in Beirut and Damascus "for consultations."

The Egyptian state radio yesterday said that the PLO had gone too far sowing suspicions concerning Cairo's Middle East moves, and that the Egyptian position was being distorted by them. "We are not going to debate lies to prove our sincerity." The radio said, while stressing Cairo's position remained unchanged, that it would not compromise on any part of occupied Arab land nor any of the rights of the Palestinians. The radio nevertheless said Egypt wants to pursue the American step-by-step approach, saying that Cairo "would accept neirther preaching norsupervision from any side."

The tough Egyptian reaction reflected Sadat's sensitivity to criticism rather than a change in his basic attitude towards the PLO. It was the latter which appeared to have changed its position, as they evidently fear that Egypt's may isolate it from the general Middle East scene at a time when the PLO faces serious blows by Israel in southern Lebanon.

Relations between Sadat and the PLO are unlikely to be decided before the end of the coming round of Kissinger talks. Should there be political concessions on the part of Egypt, in a second-stage agreement, this might aggravate the current rift.

REFORM STUDY DUE THIS WEEK

Cabinet seen reducing new employers' tax

By SRAYA SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz yesterday assured the Histadrut delegation that he will today ask the Government to reduce the projected employers' tax. It was one of several points agreed upon in a four-hour meeting held at the Ministry's home.

The meeting was also attended by Ministers Haim Bar-Lev and Gad Ya'acobi, and the Histadrut group led by Secretary-General Yeruham Meshel. Mr. Rabinowitz said the employers' tax will be incorporated into the value added tax, when it goes into effect.

Minister of Commerce and Industry Bar-Lev, for his part, promised to consider the possibility of waiving the additional purchase tax (announced last week) on a number of consumer goods. The Minister anounced, moreover, that there will be a general campaign to reduce prices before Passover.

The long-awaited reform in direct taxation is to be implemented by July 1, the Finance Minister promised. It is understood that the Ben Shahar committee, which has been studying the issue for several months, is to sum up its recommendations sometime this week. A special squad to look for income tax evaders will be created in the Ministry of Finance.

While the Histadrut is seen to have given up its opposition to the value added tax, it made headway yesterday in its proposal for the creation of a ministerial committee, headed by the Minister of Labour, to prevent unemployment — especially in development areas.

The Histadrut stated clearly that in April — after the effect of the new taxes and consumer prices becomes clear — it will decide what kind of compensation to demand for salaried workers. It is assumed that the demand will be for an advance in the cost-of-living allowance, in case prices soar.

The Central Committee of the Histadrut will today be asked to approve this position.

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Retrenchment seen in defence industries

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Cuts made in defence spending under the draft 1975/76 budget will lead to retrenchmsnt in certain defence industries, according to reliable sources. Outbacks in the original defence estimates were made in items paid for in Israel currency, these sources said.

Critics of the cuts fear the move will involve large scale unemployment in certain defence industries.

This is no Indian chief performing a ritual rain dance, only a Haifa Hapoel player in yesterday's game against Jerusalem Hapoel at the latter's Katamon playing field. The Jerusalemites sloshed through to a 1:0 victory. Story on Page 2. (De Castro for Israel Sun)

Rain to continue, snow possible

By ZEEV SCHUL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEIT DAGON. — Heavy rain squalls, unseasonably low temperatures and gusts of wind reaching 70 kph were reported by the National Meteorological Centre here yesterday, with continued rains and cold weather forecast for today.

The weatherman also predicted light snow on Galilee mountaintops and possibly in Jerusalem and other parts of Judea. With a new trough reported forming over Cyprus yesterday evening, the weatherman could not promise any end to the harsh weather. Weather satellite pictures showed rainy patches stretching to the North African shoreline.

Little damage was reported although 13 houses were flooded in Jerusalem. Four of them were pumped out by firemen. The Hermon ski slope was closed to visitors, but all other roads in the country remained open.

The temperatures were six to eight degrees below the averages recorded for this time of year. In Jerusalem the mercury plummetted to a maximum of four degrees centigrade, from 12 on Friday.

Rainfall measurements for the season were generally above average. Nahariya reported 28 millimetres during the 24 hours up to 8 p.m. last night, bringing the total to 80 mm. beyond the national average. Tel Aviv had 13 mm., with rainfall almost in line with the yearly average.

In Jerusalem, however, 25 mm. of rain still left this year's total some 100 mm. short of the norm. Beersheba was also below its usual amount with 4 mm. reported yesterday.

Jordan quake brings down houses

Several houses were damaged and hundreds of people left homeless on Friday evening when an earthquake struck the south Jordan village of Taibeh.

At the same time a light earth tremor shook parts of Israel, causing windows and doors to rattle, but no damage was reported.

Jordanian officials said at least seven houses were destroyed and 35 others damaged when part of the village resting on an underground lake caved in. About 500 villagers were left homeless. No casualties were reported.

In Israel, most people were unaware of the tremor, which was felt for a few seconds in the centre and north of the country and shook homes in Ashdod and Ashkelon for 20 seconds.

Must have Egyptian commitment — Rabin

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — Prime Minister Rabin has proposed that areas evacuated by Israel in another interim agreement with Egypt be demilitarized and supervised by either an international 'force "or combined Egyptian-Israeli patrols." He has also called for the beginning of direct Egyptian-Israeli talks following another accord.

In a far ranging interview with the "Washington Post" yesterday the Prime Minister outlined Israel's demands for another successful diplomatic step with Egypt. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger arrives in Egypt on Friday to begin his shuttle diplomacy.

Rabin reiterated that Egypt would have to end the state of belligerency with Israel in order to justify an Israeli pullback from the Mitla and Gidi mountain passes and the Abu Rodeis oilfields. "If the actual state of war has not been ended," he said, "I can't see why we should give back the strategic passes or the oilfields."

Rabin said that in the context of another agreement with Egypt, at least three elements should be included:

- A political commitment on a bilateral basis. "After all, the basis of the agreement should be an agreement between Egypt and Israel."
- Certain physical security arrangements on the ground "because, in addition to words, we need some arrangements on the ground that assure that certain territories we have evacuated would not be used against us."
- A beginning of positive measures, such as cooperation in the economic field, in communications and other ways, that will show proof that the agreement is not just a "paper statement."

Rabin said that this point "could express itself in a setup of direct talks," adding: "How can you bring about a change of confidence if the other side doesn't want to talk to you?"

Last year's Israeli-Egyptian military disengagement agreement included provisions for the stationing of UN peacekeeping forces between the two sides to act as a buffer. Rabin's proposal for joint Israeli-Egyptian patrols was seen here by observers as the first time that the Israeli leader has made this suggestion within the context of the current round of talks.

The Washington "Star News" yesterday quoted diplomatic sources in Washington as saying that Israel is expected to suggest to Kissinger that the U.S. might provide unofficial observers along a new line negotiated between Israel and Egypt. There already are a handful of American and Soviet observers stationed along with the UNEF troops.

Rabin said that the Israeli-Egyptian agreement "should be... in a legal form," but he added that there can be "certain bilateral arrangements between the United States and Israel and Egypt and the United States as a result of the agreement."

He pointed out that additional U.S. arms supplies to Israel are an example of the type of U.S. assurance that can be provided to Israel "to compensate" for the withdrawal from strategic lands.

During the Israeli-Syrian disengagement talks, Rabin said, the U.S. added to Israel's security by providing certain kinds of arms. "The same can be applied — I'm not saying specifically — in whatever agreements in the future," he said.

Rabin, answering questions posed by Philip Geyelin, editorial page editor of the "Washington Post," said that there is no room for an additional Israeli-Egyptian interim agreement that could follow the current negotiations. "Then we will have to move to a final peace, and, when I talk about real peace, for me peace is more than the elimination of war. For me peace includes positive and constructive elements

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U.S. LAWMAKERS IN INDOCHINA

'Lon Nol would quit for Cambodia peace'

SAIGON (AP). — President Lon Nol of Cambodia, whose government is threatened with collapse at the hands of Communist-led insurgents, was reported yesterday to be willing to step aside if he is a barrier to a peace settlement. Meanwhile, fierce fighting and shelling was reported on the outskirts of Phnom Penh.

U.S. senator Dewey Bartlett said American Ambassador to Cambodia John Gunther Dean had interpreted statements made by Lon Nol—during a one-day trip to Phnom Penh by six U.S. lawmakers — to mean that he was willing to quit.

A text of Lon Nol's opening remarks issued here by the Congressional delegation shows him saying at one point: "I was brought to this high office by the institutionalized organization, but for the peace of my country and for the welfare of my country I would do whatever is possible and necessary so that peace and the welfare of my people can be achieved."

Bartlett said that Dean, the U.S. envoy to Cambodia, told him as an aside: "This means the President will step aside if he is a barrier or stands in the way of a peaceful settlement."

However, diplomatic sources here saw it as unlikely that the 62-year-old Lon Nol would step aside of his own volition, even though the Communist-led rebels have said they will not negotiate with his government. Some sources feel that any change must be brought about by the United States.

The delegation is on a fact-finding tour to assess President Ford's request for $222m. in supplemental military aid for Cambodia and $300m. for South Vietnam.

Ford Administration officials argue that the additional aid is necessary to keep the existing Cambodian state alive. Lon Nol pleaded with the visiting lawmakers "not to abandon seven million Cambodian people who have suffered so much for a peaceful cause."

DINITZ: ISRAEL REQUESTS TIED TO HUGE ARAB ARMS SUPPLIES

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON.—Since the Yom Kippur War, the Soviet Union has shipped more than $2,000m. worth of military equipment to Syria, $1,500m. to Egypt, between $2,000m. to Algeria and $1,000m. to $1,500m. to Iraq, Israel Ambassador Simcha Dinitz disclosed on Friday night in a television interview.

Earlier Friday, diplomatic sources here revealed that since the war, all the Arab countries have either received or contracted for more than $10,000m. in arms from various countries, including the Soviet Union, France, Britain and the U.S.

Appearing on Martin Agronsky's "Evening Edition" televised over National Public Television, Dinitz said that Israel's current requests from the U.S. for additional military hardware should be seen within this context. He explained that Israel must receive needed arms in order to maintain a minimum defence posture ratio of 1:3 in its quantitative arms inferiority with the Arabs. Israel has traditionally relied on its qualitative superiority to compensate.

These additional arms supplies from the U.S., Dinitz said, will "facilitate" the course of Arab-Israel negotiations — an obvious reference to Israel's belief that only a strong defence capability allows it to take risks for peace.

Dinitz met for an hour and a half on Friday morning with Secretary of Defence James Schlesinger to review the current U.S. military shipments to Israel and other recent developments in the Middle East. Informed sources here said yesterday that there were "no special problems" — either technical or political — currently holding up Israel's military requests. Top American officials believe that if Israel feels weakened, it would refrain from withdrawing from more territories.

In a related development, the Ambassador asserted that support for Israel in Congress and among American public opinion "is as strong as it ever was."

Asked by Thomas Ross of the "Chicago Sun-Times" whether the recent switch by Sen. Charles Percy (D-Ill) away from a generally pro-Israel position has indicated an erosion of Congressional support for Israel, Dinitz replied, "I am very happy to say that in all my dealings with Congress, I found the position of Sen. Percy the exception rather than the rule, and I do not see an erosion."

The Ambassador, who has met with more than a dozen Senators during the past fortnight explaining Israel's position, pointed out, however, that there has been a new Congressional attitude toward spending — both foreign and domestic — and a desire to avoid foreign entanglements. He said that Israel has had nothing to do with this new Congressional outlook, adding that Congress is going to exercise a greater degree of scrutiny in examining foreign aid.

If Congress wants to avoid another foreign entanglement, Dinitz continued, then it "should encourage Israel to be sufficiently equipped to take care of its own defence."

Threat of measles over the Cabinet

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin celebrated his 53rd birthday over the weekend. Staffers of his Bureau held a modest party in Tel Aviv on Friday in honour of the occasion.

Meanwhile, the threat of measles, it is learned, hangs over the Premier's Bureau and the Cabinet. Officials and ministers are hoping they can escape the disease after Cabinet Secretary Gershon Avner contracted it last week.

Mr. Avnr took to his bed once the spots came out. But, according to medical men, the most contagious period is that preceding the emergence of the red blotches.

Allon: Bonn talks 'better than my expectations'

By BRIAN ARTHUR
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

BONN. — Foreign Minister Allon wound up his first visit to West Germany on Friday, saying that his talks with government and party leaders here had been "even better than my expectations."

The two sides agreed to expand their economic cooperation and to study ways to achieve this, German Foreign Minister Hans Dietrich Genscher announced at a joint press conference before Mr. Allon flew to London.

(Mr. Allon last night met his British counterpart, James Callaghan for dinner talks on latest Middle East developments.)

This was clearly a reference to efforts to close the $350m. deficit in Israel's trade with Bonn last year which had been an important aim of Mr. Allon's visit.

On another point, Mr. Allon was assured that Bonn will continue to supply Israel with 140m. marks in capital aid yearly.

Past aggravation between the two countries stemming from Bonn's view that its postwar "special relations" with Israel have since turned into "normal" ties between two states appear to have been in part smoothed over. Both sides stressed that the Nazi past and the murder of the Jews, which Mr. Allon called the "blackest chapter" in Germany's history, could not be forgotten, but both said they could also look to the future.

Mr. Genscher explained Bonn's "balanced policy" in the Mid-East which the Germans argue will benefit both Jews and Arabs. But Mr. Allon stressed in a television interview here that "when it comes to the security of Israel, Germany cannot be neutral."

Mr. Genscher, asked at the press conference if Bonn would permit U.S. arms shipments from bases in Germany to Israel in case of a new Mid-East war, replied broadly that "Israel will be able to rely on us." But he declined to say if this referred specifically to the arms question, noting that it had not been discussed.

The Foreign Minister quashed any speculation that he might accept an independent Palestinian state next to Israel and Jordan. He said there could be only one Jewish and one Arab state, "call it what you want," in the area between the Mediterranean and Iraq.

Talks with Jordan for swap of Eilat's of Club tourists

By GEORGE LEONOF
Jerusalem Post Travel Correspondent

EILAT. — Negotiations are under way with the Jordanian authorities to permit the crossing of tourists between the Red Sea ports of Eilat and Akaba, the world director of Club Mediterranée, Gilbert Trigano, disclosed last night at the official opening of the Club's lavish new holiday camp here.

Gilbert said that the Club had an agreement with the Jordanians that when the Club's holiday camp, now under construction in Akaba, was completed tourists would be allowed to cross from the one town to the other.

The holiday camp in Eilat has been set up in the former St. Tropez Hotel near the Akaba border at a cost of some $5.4m. The Club which runs a holiday village in Ahziv north of Nahariya, first opened in Eilat 14 years ago on the Coral Beach. The venture was abandoned a few years later. The Club has 68 holiday villages throughout the world and, apart from building in Akaba, also has one under construction in Luxor, Egypt.

Minister of Tourism Moshe Kol, the guest of honour at the opening, said he was convinced the opening of the Club in Eilat at this time was a significant leap forward in the development of Eilat as a tourist centre. He revealed that the government had participated in the development of Eilat's tourist facilities to the extent of $50m.

Eliezer Livneh dies at 72

TEL AVIV.—The funeral of Eliezer Livneh (Liebenstein), a founder of Mapai and then a leader of the Greater Israel Movement, will leave the Sanhedria chapel at 3 o'clock this afternoon for the Mount of Olives. Livneh died of a heart attack Saturday in his Jerusalem home at the age of 72.

Born in Lodz, Livneh attended the Russian high school there and came to Israel in 1922. He was active in the Zionist movement, the Histadrut, the Hagana and Mapai. Later he turned to writing and editing periodicals devoted to Jewish affairs.

Livneh was a Zionist representative in Europe, and served in the Knesset from 1940 to 1955.

Livneh is survived by his wife and two daughters. (Itim)

Jordan Premier in Damascus

POST Middle East Affairs Correspondent

Jordan's Prime Minister Zaid Rifai arrived yesterday in Damascus on a four-day official visit at the invitation of his Syrian counterpart, Mahmoud el-Ayyoubi. They began talks on Syrian-Jordanian relations, but no details were disclosed.

Rifai's trip to Syria follows a recent visit he made to Cairo at the invitation of Egyptian Premier Abdul-Aziz Hegazy. Both Egypt and Syria have been strengthening their relations with Jordan amid pledges to consolidate ties between the Arab states neighbouring Israel.

U.S. report says KGB use drugs on political dissidents

WASHINGTON (UPI). — Soviet police doctors have been performing "chemical lobotomies" on about 7,000 political dissidents, using the drug reserpine and other medications, according to testimony released here yesterday by a Congressional sub-committee.

The 121-page report, released by the Senate sub-committee on internal security, detailed a variety of psychiatric abuses in the Soviet Union to achieve behaviour control of individuals with "awkward" political views.

Dr. Norman Hirt, a Canadian psychiatrist who has made a study of such abuses, said doctors employed by the Soviet Security Police (KGB) had discovered that massive doses of reserpine, a drug used in the West for the treatement of patients with high blood pressure, cause atrophy of the brain.

"They have discovered apparently in the KGB Human Experimental Unit that if you give huge doses of reserpine, you cause damage to cells that support the brain cells — that is, the foundation structures in the brain," Hirt said in the report.

"But what happens simply is that portions of the brain collapse on themselves, and you get what looks pathologically like cerebral atrophy — atrophy of the brain — which is a sign, sometimes, of old age. This discovery was made in post mortems on dead people murdered in the so-called psychiatric units."

He speculated that the "forensic psychiatry" branch is known to the top Soviet political leaders and approved of by a majority of the Politburo.

Reserpine, developed from the Indian root rawulfia, has been extensively used in the U.S. in the 1950s and 1960s to treat high blood pressure but it is being phased out in favour of other drugs with milder side-effects.

Hirt, who testified privately to two committee staff members in 1972, said he had developed his information from interviews with two Soviet psychiatrists (one who had worked for the KGB), interviews with Soviet Jews who have resettled in Israel, and through his own investigations.

Hirt said the "forensic psychiatry" branch of the KGB had employed a range of Soviet drugs — aminazune and trifthnzpe — to pacify persons with dissident political views.

The Canadian psychiatrist claimed that the KGB had created a special department under the direction of Dr. Daniel Lunts to carry out the programme of pacifying dissidents. He said Lunts lived on Tolstoy Street in Moscow but that his telephone number was unknown.

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THE WEATHER

Forecast: Partly cloudy to cloudy, with showers and isolated thunderstorms.
Weather synopsis: Cold low over East Mediterranean.

	Yesterday's Humidity	Yesterday's Min-Max	Today's Min-Max
Jerusalem	97	2—5	0—4
Golan	100	4—6	0—5
Nahariya	90	8—15	8—13
Safad	67	3—6	0—4
Tiberias	88	9—14	9—12
Nazareth	90	5—10	3—8
Afula	93	7—14	6—12
Shomron	95	5—7	4—5
Tel Aviv	85	10—14	8—12
E-G Airport	89	6—13	6—13
Jericho	36	6—16	6—14
Gaza	84	9—14	8—13
Beersheba	54	7—12	5—10
Eilat	22	12—18	9—16
Tiran Straits	28	14—21	11—19

Social and Personal

General Karl Lutgendorf, the Austrian Minister of Defence, on Friday toured air force bases in the Golan Heights. He left for home yesterday after a four-day visit.

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The Jerusalem Foundation last week held a reception for members of the Canadian Zionist Organization in the Jerusalem Forest Recreation Centre, in honour of the Canadian group's plan to add a new wing to the centre.

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The Israel Diabetes Association invites the public to an evening of questions and answers, conducted by Dr. Alexander Ravina, on Thursday, March 6, at 7.30 p.m. in Beit Harofe, Haifa.

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IN MEMORIAM

Tomorrow is the second anniversary of the death of Haim Hazaz, and a memorial service will be held at the writer's graveside on the Mount of Olives at 4 p.m.

At 8:15 p.m., there will be a memorial meeting at the Haim Hazaz Writers House in the Jewish Quarter of the Old City, which will also mark the posthumous publication of Hazaz's collection of short stories, "Paamon Verimmon" (Tel Aviv, Am Oved). Eliahu Elath will preside and Professors Dov Sadan, Shlomo Morag and Shimon Zandbank will discuss the work. Dan Kanner will read one of the stories in the collection, "Hu Tziva."

A memorial service for Dorothy Wilson will take place at the Garden Tomb, 4 Nablus Road, Jerusalem, at 2 p.m. today.

DEPARTURES

Justice Minister Haim Zadok, to the U.S., for 10 days on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal (by El Al).
Meir Amit, managing director of Koor, to London and other European capitals, on company business (by El Al).

Budget whip used in party politicking

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Discontent with the 56 billion pound draft national budget has become an instrument for internal jockeying for power within the Independent Liberals and the National Religious Party.

Thus NRP youth circle leader Yehuda Ben-Meir's performance in the Knesset on Thursday was seen as part of the ongoing guerrilla warfare in that faction-torn party.

The more sedate ILP is a different case: Hillel Seidel MK managed to win three out of eight votes at the augmented ILP Knesset faction caucus for his motion to abstain on the budget vote.

Seidel said he appreciated that Government abstention on such a major confidence vote might lead to a Government crisis and the departure of the ILP from the Cabinet. However, it might do the party a lot of good to sit on the opposition benches for once.

The incumbent ILP Ministers — Moshe Kol and Gideon Hausner — thought differently and won the day. However, they called for cancellation of the payroll tax. Interestingly, influential party president Pinhas Rosen chose to abstain.

Meanwhile ILP Knesset whip Yehuda Sha'ari has come around to Seidel's view and over the weekend raised the spectre of the ILP not voting for the budget in its third reading. Some ILP members questioned cuts in basic services when the Religious Affairs Ministry budget was almost doubled to IL100m. from last year's IL58m.

The NRP faction may split on the issue judging by the strong doubts emanating from that party's two members of the Knesset Finance Committee, Yehuda Ben-Meir and Abraham Melamed.

Ben-Meir's main charge is at the cut in the defence budget at a time when the Arabs are increasing their arms allocations. This reduction came in for sharp criticism over the weekend from opposition speakers, especially Free Centre chairman Shmuel Tamir.

But the burden of Ben-Meir's criticism is that the Finance Minister has allowed internal party politics to influence his budgeting whilst cutting back on defence. Thus he pointed to the doubling of the Housing and Labour Ministries' allocations over the sums alloted last year. This, he charged, was largely due to Mr. Rabinowitz's wish to maintain good terms with two powerful Labour Party leaders — Mosh Baram and Avraham Ofer.

The Labour-Alignment faction is expected to toe the line when it comes to voting on the budget, with the possible exception of Lyova Eliav M.K. Inside the Labour Party there is speculation over Mr. Eliav's departure from the party, probably to join up with Moked.

Katzir opens U.S. tour

By KEN SHER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

MIAMI BEACH. — President Ephraim Katzir combined his roles as a Jewish and scientific leader on Friday, on the first full day of his visit to the U.S. The President and his party visited the space centre at Cape Canaveral, and then returned to Miami Beach to take part in sabbath services honouring one of Florida's most prominent rabbis.

Mr. Katzir arrived in Miami on Thursday evening to begin his two-week U.S. tour, during which he will participate in the 25th anniversary conference of the Israel Bonds organization. He is scheduled to visit four other cities, Washington, New York, Boston and Ann Arbor, in his first trip to the U.S. since he became President in 1973.

President Katzir was not a typical visitor at the Kennedy space centre. As a scientist, he was able to engage in animated conversation with members of the space facility's staff, and to examine the facility in some detail. Returning to Miami, the President and his party attended sabbath services at Miami Beach's Temple Beth Shalom, where Rabbi Leon Kronish was being honoured by the community on the completion of his 30th year in the rabbinate.

Mr. Katzir arrived on Thursday night amid tight security. He was greeted at the airport by Michael Arnon, president of Israel Bonds organization, and Sam Rothberg, general chairman.

RABIN

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of cooperation between the two countries — especially open borders," he said.

He said that it was doubtful whether there is any room, "or if it is politically advisable, to have an interim agreement" with Syria. "There, I think, the only way is to move by one act from war to peace."

Regarding an Israeli withdrawal from the Golan, Rabin said that Israel would not "go down from" the Heights. Asked if Israel would agree to pull back a little, Rabin replied: "I would like to stick to my definition. I said, even in the context of a peace treaty with Syria, I don't see Israel going down from the Golan Heights."

The Prime Minister said that if Sadat refused to modify his public demands for another interim accord, Israel "will not accept them."

But when Rabin was specifically asked whether the agreement would have to be put in writing, he merely said: "It has to be given in the most committing legal way. Otherwise, what do we get?"

Referring to the possibility of U.S. defence guarantees for Israel, Rabin said that Israel has never requested any, adding that it would be wrong for Israel "even to bring up such a proposal. When a country cannot cope with its neighbours by its own forces, its fate is going to be obscure. We want a political settlement that will give us defensible borders, so that we can defend ourselves by ourselves. We will not go back to the vulnerable pre-1967 lines."

Five Arabs expelled to Lebanon for subversion

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Military authorities expelled five Arabs to Lebanon on Friday for involvement in sabotage and in organizing disobedience, strikes and demonstrations against the Israeli military administration in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.

The deportees were Abdullah Besous Soriani and Mahmoud Abed Alayan Shkairat of East Jerusalem, Suleiman Rashid Najib of Ramallah, Mahmoud Tafik Bani Hassan of the West Bank village of Arbouni and Hassan Hamed Sawalha of Gaza.

Soriani, Shkairat and Najib were reported to be members of the military wing of the West Bank "Palestine National Front" which is described by the military administration as an underground Communist subversive movement.

The deportation of the three men followed a general week-long hunger strike which some 40 Arabs on administrative detention have been holding in various Israeli jails.

All the deportees but Bani Hassan were themselves held under administrative detention prior to their expulsion to Lebanon. Hassan, from the village of Arbouni, served a seven-year term for infiltrating with a terrorist cell from Jordan to carry out sabotage in the northern West Bank district of Samaria.

Najib's wife on Friday obtained a temporary injunction against the expulsion of her husband, obviously assuming that he was to be banished to Jordan. The man's "deportation to the East Bank endangers his life, as he is known for his opposition to the regime of King Hussein," the wife said. By the time the injunction was issued, however, Najib was reported to be crossing the northern frontier into Lebanon.

'Better 6% jobless this year than 12% next'

Payroll tax to be replaced by VAT

By DAVID KRIVINE
Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

The payroll tax is not intended to continue throughout the coming fiscal year — it will be replaced in the summer by the Value Added Tax. This was one of the points made during an "appeasement session" with representatives of the employers at the Tel Aviv home of Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz last night.

Also the tax does not discriminate against the productive sector. Everyone who pays wages is affected. Arnon Gafny, the Treasury's budget chief, informed *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that if the production branch is defined as comprising industry, agriculture, building and transport, and all the rest is services, then services will be supplying over half the payroll tax.

Ben-Ami Zukerman, deputy head of the Internal Revenue Department, added that business firms can deduct the levy as an expense, while non-profit-making organizations have no such relief.

It is likely also that the exemption given to Government departments will be revoked, though this is largely a book-keeping operation. The extra cost of the payroll tax on the expenditure side will have to be balanced by extra provision (from that same tax) on the revenue side.

Public criticism has been focused on the Government's failure to cut its own expenditure sufficiently. Mr. Rabinowitz attributes the need for new taxes to the extra IL3,000m. added to the budget. Two-thirds of this is military expenditure. *The Post* asked Gafny why the remaining IL1,000m. was added to civilian expenditure.

"The lower figure," he said, "before we added that IL1,000m., was an exercise tried in the Treasury to find out how the budget would look if outlay was frozen, despite increased defence commitments, and if no new taxes were enacted."

The resulting draft involved a cut of IL400m. in education, with 1,000 fewer classes and many teachers dismissed (the children would be bunched into other classes). It meant slicing IL300m. from the housing budget, at the expense of young couples and (in particular) slum clearance. It meant reducing social welfare benefits by IL50m.-60m., and credits for industrial development by IL50m.

"It even meant refusing a World Bank loan, that had been granted at our request, for developing export crops and for economizing in water use. We could not have supplied the counterpart funds required in local currency," Mr. Gafny said.

"All these cuts would have caused unemployment among building workers and others. I honestly believe that imposing two relatively small taxes, which will put up prices by 3 per cent or less, is a smaller sacrifice than slashing the budget," he concluded.

Asked whether it was not possible to dismiss surplus civil servants, Mr. Gafny replied that there is a plan to abolish 2,200 slots in the establishment, but that will not save more than IL50m.-60m.

The payroll tax is, in fact, a curtain-raiser for the Value Added Tax. The VAT bill will be introduced next week and may be passed into law by May or June. The tax should come into force some time between July and September, Mr. Gafny thinks.

How high the tax-rate will be depends on the situation of the economy at the time, and, in particular, on the results of the income tax reform. The intention of the Ben-Shachar committee is to maintain the revenue from income tax unchanged, but there may be a shortfall of IL500m.-1,000m., Mr. Gafny apprehends — in which case, the VAT would have to be high enough to make good the missing sum.

Will the payroll tax cause bankruptcies? Mr. Zukerman concedes that it is possible — but that must happen anyway, owing to the shrinkage of demand. Even if budget expenditure is cut, the same result would occur. The third possibility is to let the budget run into deficit. The hardship then would not be eliminated, only postponed. As Ephraim Dovrat, the Treasury's Economic Adviser, stated last week when briefing newsmen on the budget: "I would rather see even six per cent unemployed this year, than 12 per cent next."

As concerns tax evasion, Mr. Zukerman estimates that the sum of actual revenue lost, though difficult to estimate, is certainly under IL1,000m.

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Beersheba Hapoel, Netanya Maccabi extend lead

League teams bash through mud

By PAUL KOHN
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Beersheba Hapoel and Netanya Maccabi yesterday moved into a three-point lead at the top of the National League table, though the Negev side was held to a 0:0 draw at home by Tel Aviv's Bnei Yehuda, while Netanya scored a 2:1 win over Tel Aviv Shimshon.

All the National League games were played to the end despite the blustery and wet weather, and surprisingly large numbers of football fans turned out to watch the main matches of the day. There were 7,000 in Beersheba and Jaffa, and 6,000 in Netanya. Several League "A" games were postponed and others were stopped before the end.

Jerusalem Hapoel played in a mudbath at the Katamon ground, but emerged 1:0 winners over Haifa Hapoel, to move up a position in the National League. Tel Aviv Maccabi, ending a five-game winning streak, was held to a 0:0 draw by Jaffa Maccabi. Bottom placed Petah Tikva Maccabi also salvaged a point in the goalless draw against Tel Aviv Betar.

Kfar Saba suffered its fourth defeat in succession, losing 1:3 at home to Petah Tikva Hapoel. Ramat Gan Hakoah scored its second successive home win in beating Jerusalem Betar 1:0.

Considering the conditions, the game in Netanya between Shimshon and Netanya Maccabi was on an unexpectedly high level. Netanya showed signs of a return to top form, playing an attacking game. Shimshon took the lead in the 34th minute, when Shlomo Mizrahi crecked a shot from 16 metres past cracked a shot from 16 metres past before the interval, Oded Machness put Netanya Maccabi level and in the 50th minute veteran Victor Saroussi got Netanya's winner. Efraim Amira played an outstanding game for Maccabi in midfield, and Oded Machiness kept a close watch on Shimshon danger man Gideon Damti.

Midway through the second half, referee Menahem Ashkenazy issued a yellow warning card to Shimshon's Avi Zarfati, for fouling Mordechai Spiegler. The Shimshon manager ran onto the field and attempted to strike Spiegler but was pulled away by the police.

Following two wins at home, Bnei Yehuda played a cool and confident game in Beersheba. The home side pressed for most of the game and missed several fine scoring chances, the last of them by Meir Barad in the final minute of play. The Beersheba forwards found Bnei Yehuda goalkeeper Ronnie Wassersprung in great form.

It rained through most of the game in Jerusalem, and the Katamon pitch was covered in puddles. But both teams tried their hardest to give the 3,000 fans their money's worth in good football. Jerusalem Hapoel had the edge and deserved their narrow win, attained through a goal by Nahum Tashma in the 17th minute. Tashma fixed onto a pass by Eli Ben Rimoj and shot in from 14 metres.

Hadera Hapoel returned to winning form with a 1:0 win over Tel Aviv Hapoel. The winning goal was scored by a newcomer to the side, 19-year-old soldier Yitzhak Aharony. He was brought into the side in the 75th minute and scored with a lovely header three minutes before the end.

The ball is just not running for Kfar Saba Hapoel. The team controlled the game against Petah Tikva Hapoel for fully 70 of the 90 minutes, but finished the game underserved 3:1 losers.

Hakoah scored another 1:0 win, thanks to a goal by Moshe Yehiel in the 65th minute. The Jerusalem Betar attack was rarely seen in action, and the nearest it came to scoring a goal was a shot by Shalom Avitan, which hit the Hakoah crossbar in the 52nd minute.

Tel Aviv Maccabi were without their goalgetters, Dror Barnur and Vicky Peretz, and their attack lacked all punch. Fine defensive play enabled Maccabi to emerge with a draw and go its seventh game without defeat. Albert Levy played a fine game for Jaffa Maccabi, and Yehuda Gargir was best in midfield for the Tel Avivians.

RESULTS

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Jerusalem Hapoel 1, Haifa Hapoel 0
Kfar Saba Hap. 1, Petah Tikva Hap. 3
Hadera Hapoel 1, Tel Aviv Hapoel 0
Hakoah 1, Jerusalem Betar 0
Tel Aviv Betar 0, Petah Tikva Mac. 0
Tel Aviv Maccabi 0, Jaffa Maccabi 0
Beersheba Hapoel 0, Bnei Yehuda 0
Shimshon 1, Netanya Maccabi 2

LEAGUE 'A' NORTH
Herzliya Hapoel 0, Herzliya Maccabi 3
Netanya Hapoel 1, Kiryat Ata Hapoel 0
Tiberias Hapoel 0, Nazareth Hapoel 1
Netanya Betar 1, Haifa Maccabi 1
Nahariya Hapoel 1, Safad Hapoel 1
Ramat Gan Hap. 1, K. Shmona Hap. 0
Nahliel Hapoel v Tirat Hacarmel Hapoel — postponed.
Hadera Maccabi v Acre Hapoel — postponed.

LEAGUE 'A' SOUTH
Rishon Lezion Hap. 1, Ramle Betar 1
Jaffa Betar 1, Lod Hapoel 1
Beit Shemesh Hapoel 1, Holon Hapoel 0
Ashdod Hapoel 1, Dimona Hapoel 1
Beer Ya'acov Hapoel 0, Yahud Hap. 0 (game stopped in 25th min)
Marmorek Hapoel v Ramat Amidar Maccabi — postponed.
Bat Yam Hapoel v Ness Ziona — postponed.
Ramle Hapoel v Sha'arayim Maccabi — postponed.

STANDINGS

(after 22 games)

NATIONAL LEAGUE

		Goals	Points
1.	Beersheba Hapoel	27:15	29
2.	Netanya Maccabi	31:21	29
3.	Shimshon	24:16	28
4.	Haifa Hapoel	26:16	25
5.	Jerusalem Hapoel	22:17	25
6.	Tel Aviv Maccabi	19:16	25
7.	Hadera Hapoel	21:19	23
8.	Kfar Saba Hapoel	24:26	23
9.	Hakoah	22:25	23
10.	Tel Aviv Betar	25:26	21
11.	Jerusalem Betar	19:20	20
12.	Petah Tikva Hapoel	22:24	20
13.	Jaffa Maccabi	19:28	19
14.	Tel Aviv Hapoel	17:23	17
15.	Bnei Yehuda	15:26	16
16.	Petah Tikva Maccabi	10:32	11

LEAGUE 'A' NORTH

		Goals	Points
1.	Haifa Maccabi	37:12	31
2.	Acre Hapoel (21)	33:13	28
3.	Ramat Gan Hapoel	33:19	26
4.	Netanya Betar	31:17	23
5.	Herzliya Maccabi	25:27	23
6.	Netanya Hapoel	27:27	22
7.	Hadera Maccabi (21)	25:24	21
8.	Tiberias Hapoel	18:18	21
9.	Herzliya Hapoel	19:21	20
10.	Tirat Hacarmel Hapoel (21)	20:28	20
11.	Nahariya Hapoel	13:18	20
12.	Safad Hapoel	18:26	20
13.	Nazareth Hapoel	22:26	19
14.	Kiryat Ata Hapoel	13:25	19
15.	Kiryat Shmona Hapoel	22:30	18
16.	Nahliel Hapoel (21)	16:25	17

LEAGUE 'A' SOUTH

		Goals	Points
1.	Ramat Amidar Maccabi (21)	34:14	29
2.	Rishon Lezion Hapoel	43:24	28
3.	Yahud Hapoel (21)	32:14	28
4.	Bat Yam Hapoel (21)	35:23	28
5.	Dimona Hapoel	26:24	24
6.	Sha'arayim Mac. (21)	36:35	23
7.	Marmorek Hapoel (21)	28:17	22
8.	Ramle Betar	21:19	22
9.	Beer Ya'acov Hapoel (21)	26:19	21
10.	Lod Hapoel	27:32	21
11.	Beit Shemesh Hapoel	29:33	20
12.	Holon Hapoel	23:27	19
13.	Ashdod Hapoel	28:35	19
14.	Ness Ziona (21)	24:30	17
15.	Ramle Hapoel (21)	16:28	16
16.	Jaffa Betar	14:54	7

BASKETBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE RESULTS
Ramat Gan Hapoel 74 Tel Aviv Elitzur 76

Final tandings after 26 games:

			Pts
1.	Tel Aviv Maccabi	2527:1922	51
2.	Raamt Gan Hapoel	2281:1920	47
3.	Gvat-Yagur Hapoel	2104:1754	46
4.	Tel Aviv Hapoel	2383:2097	44
5.	Ramat Gan Maccabi	2329:2103	43
6.	Jerusalem Hapoel	2129:118	40
7.	Haifa Hapoel	2112:1877	29
8.	Tel Aviv Elitzur	2218:2137	39
9.	Givat Bren.-Naan Hap.	2063:2183	35
10.	Jerusalem Betar	1797:2261	34
11.	Haifa Maccabi	1847:2231	33
12.	Afula Hapoel	1717:2018	33
13.	Kiryat Haim Hapoel	1870:2219	31
14.	Megiddo Hapoel	1924:2371	27

Rugby match abandoned

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Heavy rain coming in addition to icy weather and a flooded field finally forced Hebrew University and Holon to abandon their National Rugby League match after one half had almost been completed.

Best player on the field was David Seaberg, the University scrumhalf, who battled his way over for a try, giving his team the only points scored.

CARRINGTON. — Former British Defence Minister Lord Carrington met on Friday in Damascus with Palestinian terrorist leader Yasser Arafat, the Palestinian News Agency Wafa reported. It said the Middle East situation and the "Palestine question" were discussed.

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New IDF ch… medical offi…

TEL AVIV. — Dr. Dan … 41, has been appointed Chie… Officer of the Israel Defenc… and promoted to the rank… Aluf (brigadier general). … is replacing Tat-Aluf D… Cordova who is retiring f… vice, the Army Spokes… nounced here yesterday.

The new Medical Corps … born in Jerusalem and … medicine in Geneva and J… He joined the army in 1958 … the outstanding graduate … tary-physicians' training c… served with the paratroope… of Nahal and was instru… setting up the first airbo… gical unit. Last year he … pointed deputy chief me… ficer. He is married w… daughters.

Outgoing Chief Medic… Cordova, 56, came to thi… from Bulgaria in 1944, spe… years as a welder, and me… er with Solel Boneh. He t… to study medicine in Fr… joined the army on his re… in 1955.

Shakespeare gr… to aid Cancer …

One of the Jerusalem … ances of "Hollow Crown" … Royal Shakespeare Comp… be a gala benefit for t… Cancer Association, the … Theatre and the British C… cided recently.

The event, on Sunday, … at 9 p.m., will be sponsor… President and the diploma…

With great distress and deep sorrow we announce the sudden passing of our dear father, brother, father-in-law and grandfather

ABRAHAM ROSE ז"ל

The funeral will leave from Rambam Hospital at 2 p.m. today, March 2, 1975 for the main Haifa cemetery.

Shiva will be held at the home of Haim Rose 6 Rehov Yaarot, Ahuza, Mount Carmel, Haifa.

Sons, Reuben, Leon, Haim, David and families in Israel and in England;
brother, Moshe and sister, Phoebe, in I…
brother, Jack, in England.

Deepest sympathy to the family of the late

Rabbi Abraham Rose ז"ל

(of Haifa, formerly of Ealing, London)
Spiritual leader, teacher and dear friend

From members of the Ealing community and former members now in Israel.

We regret to announce the death of

Dr. ANNA D. GELBER,

The funeral will leave on Sunday, Adar 19, 5735, March 2, 1975 at 2 p.m. from the Sanhedria Funeral Parlour for Har Hamenuhot.

Children: Edna Ben-Dov
Lynn Schwartz
David Gelber
Sisters: Levanona Neuman
Maxima Trambert
and families

Our beloved

FANNIE BAWLY

is no more

The funeral will leave today, Sunday, March 2 at 12 p.m. … our home, 97 Rehov HaEshel, Herzliya, for the Herzliya Cem…

Lazar Bawly
Dan and Ilone Bawly
Abigail and Ze'ev Lux
Micky and William Raffel
Sisters-in-law and grandch…

The Israel Resident Committee
and the 365 delegates assembled in Jerusalem
for the 41st National Convention of the Zionist Organization of Canada

mourn the untimely passing of

Dr. ANNA GELBER,

Vice chairman of Z.O.C.'s Israel Resident Committee,
widow of its former illustrious President
Mr. Edward E. Gelber.

Rabbi Dr. David Monson, President
Dr. George Liban, executive Vice President
Jarrais Friedman, chairman Resident Committee

We share the sorrow of
Ilse and the family
and mourn our friend

Dr. RENZO GUAFPALLA, En…

Alda and Josef Mo…

With great sorrow we mourn the passing of our beloved

Bessia Harris Freedman ז"ל

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Bertha Newman
Ida Ben-Porath
Harry H. Harris
Meir Harris
Miriam Grossman

The funeral will leave today, Sunday, March 2, at 12 noon, from the Sanhedria funeral parlour for the Mount of Olives Cemetery.

The Israel offices of the
British, Australian and New Zealand Zionist Federation
mourn the death of their colleague and friend

WALTER DUFFIELD ז"ל

former General Secretary of the Australian Zionist Federation and the State Zionist Council, of Victoria, who passed on in Melbourne after a long illness, bravely borne.

With deep sorrow we announce the death of the beloved head of our family

Pharmacist JULIUS LEWY

(Livius)

on February 28, 1975, at the age of 93.

THE BEREAVED FAMILY

The funeral will leave at 11.45 a.m. today, March 2, 1975, from Elisha Hospital, Haifa.

Prime Minister's Office

On the third anniversary of the death of former Director-General of the Prime Minister's Office,

YA'ACOV HERZOG ז"ל

we will visit his graveside at the Sanhedria cemetery, Jerusalem, on Wednesday, March 5, 1975, at 3.45 p.m.
A bus will leave from the new Beit Ha'am at precisely 3.15 p…

On the thirtieth day after passing of our beloved

MEIR SCHNIEDERMAN

A memorial service and the unveiling of the tombstone will be … on Tuesday, March 4, 1975, at 4 p.m. at the Herzlya Ceme…

THE FAMI…

Eldorati's Cabinet prospects weaken

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Amidar unauthorised loan affair may affect the Cabinet prospects of Migdal Ha'emek council chairman Zvi Eldorati, who is also chairman of Amidar's board of directors, Labour Party sources said last night.

Eldorati and Beersheba MK Eli Moyal are candidates of the Labour Party's Oriental communities for a Cabinet post. Party sources said that the latest allegations concerning the national housing corporation would undoubtedly affect Eldorati's prospects for political advancement, at least for the time being.

The Cabinet is expected to decide today on the fate of the Ministries of Information and Communications. Premier Rabin is not inclined to bring in another minister, though his Labour Party is entitled to two more Cabinet portfolios: Information, vacated by Aharon Yariv, and Communications, which Rabin holds in trust.

Proposals to reorganize government departments by merging ministries has been dropped due to the obsolute refusal of the Alignment's minor coalition partners, the National Religious Party (NRP) and the Independent Liberals (ILP), to countenance any changes in their ministries. ILP Knesset whip Yehuda Shaari on Friday warned Rabin that talk of downgrading the Tourism Ministry into a department of another ministry would seriously impair the ILP's relationship with the Alignment.

The Labour Party sources said Rabin is inclined to dissolve the Information Ministry, with its departments reverting to their former ministries. The Education Minister would be the minister responsible for the Broadcasting Authority, it was said. Rabin is also inclined to do away with the Communications Ministry. He is weighing the possibility of either handing it over to Agriculture Minister Aharon Uzan in addition to his other duties, or, alternatively, merging Communications with Transport — its original framework from which it was wrested for coalition reasons many years ago. In either case Moyal would be Deputy Minister of Communications in addition to Druse MK Sheikh Jaber Mu'adi.

Religious zealots kept Jerusalem police busy in two separate incidents on Friday. Top photo shows yeshiva students being dispersed from Shaare Zedek Hospital. Below, a rabbi removes a bag of human bones from an archaeological dig near Jaffa Gate, following demonstrations in which five were arrested. (Mike De Castro, Israel Sun)

AUTOPSY PROTESTERS SNATCH BODY FROM SHAARE ZEDEK

Jerusalem Post Staff

The body of a man who died at Jerusalem's Shaare Zedek Hospital, and whose autopsy was approved both by the family and an ultra-Orthodox rabbi, was snatched from the hospital by religious extremists on Friday afternoon.

A hospital spokesman said he did not know why a group of Belz yeshiva students from nearby Rehov Agrippas occupied the morgue and snatched the body, especially because "the deceased was not ultra-Orthodox and had nothing to do with the yeshiva." In accordance with Shaare Zedek policy, the autopsy was scheduled only after obtaining approval from the family and a rabbi, in this case, Rabbi Yitzhak Ya'acov Weiss, head of the ultra-Orthodox community's bet din.

When the police arrived, after being summoned by the hospital administration, the students took the body out of the morgue through a side exit and took it to their yeshiva. The police were barred entrance to the yeshiva by a crowd of students.

Israel Sun photographer Mike De Castro reports that the body was returned after hospital director-general Prof. David Maeir explained to the yeshiva head that permission had been obtained from the necessary sources.

Shortly afterward, a group of nearly 100 members of the Committee for Human Sanctity stormed the hospital, smashing windows as they looked for the body. They were finally banished from the premises by club-swinging police. They refused to believe Prof. Maeir's statement that Rabbi Weiss approved the autopsy, and only after confirmation of this fact from the rabbi themselves did they disperse and the autopsy proceed.

The hospital spokesman told The Jerusalem Post that "hooliganism will not change its policy of performing autopsies after obtaining dual permission." He did not know whether legal action is being contemplated against the body-snatchers.

5 held in protest at J'lem digs

Police in Jerusalem on Friday arrested Neturei Karta leader Rabbi Uri Blau and four of his followers during demonstrations in which the group protested archaeological excavations at recently discovered tombs in the capital.

The tombs, alongside Derekh Hatzanhanim, on the slope descending from the Old City wall between Jaffa Gate and Mount Zion, are said to date from the Second Temple period. The ultra-orthodox group claimed the tombs are Jewish, and demanded that all human remains be turned over to it for immediate reburial.

The protesters appeared soon after the excavation work, directed by Dr. Meir Ben Dov of the Hebrew University, began Friday morning. Police called to the site arrested Rabbi Blau and two of his followers. When the demonstrators returned later, the police detained another two persons.

Later, a compromise was reached whereby a rabbi of the Atara Kadisha (a society concerned with the preservation of cemeteries and other holy sites) will supervise the collection of human bones found in the site. (Itim)

Beduin girl defies elders, learns driving

BEERSHEBA. — The first Beduin woman to learn to drive in Israel — and perhaps in the world — has started lessons here after a stormy dispute with her father and the elders of her tribe, who have banished her.

The 18-year-old high school senior, Naifa Abu-Siam, wants to commute by car between the two jobs she holds in addition to studying. She is a home economics and sewing counsellor at the Beduin settlements of Tel-Sheva and Dvira, 40 kilometres apart.

When the Ministry of Agriculture offered her a third job — as liaison between its office and the local Beduin tribes — her father replied with an ultimatum: if she takes the job, she gets no car. So far, she has held her peace, passed her driver's written examination, and promised the tribe a traditional "hafla" celebration when she gets her licence. (Itim)

School registration starts today

Registration for kindergarten, elementary school, and schools for working youth next year begin today and continues until March 17. For kindergarten, all children born between December 10, 1969 and December 28, 1970 must be registered; those born between December 22, 1968 and December 9, 1969 must be signed up for first grade. Parents who fail to register their children are subject to fine, imprisonment, or both.

'Something has changed in the Municipality'

J'lem ombudsman reports fewer complaints, better services

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

An Arab widow with no pension rights, a 15-year-old boy fined for spitting sunflower seeds onto a cinema floor and two American immigrant couples demanding to know if lack of *proteksia* had kept their children out of a local kindergarten are among the Jerusalemites marching through the pages of the eighth annual report of the Jerusalem Ombudsman being released today.

As with the 634 other complaints received during 1974 by the Ombudsman, Shlomo Kadar, all received the satisfaction of meticulous examination of their cases, courteous replies — and redress, when justified.

Last year saw a marked decline in the number of complaints, despite the growing population — an average of 50 a month compared to 59 a month in the preceding seven years. Kadar attributes this in part to the sobering effect of the Yom Kippur War, which put a new perspective on personal problems. (The monthly complaints in the nine months preceding the war averaged 77.) For the first time, petty complaints virtually disappeared last year from the Ombudman's case load.

Another reason for the decline, he said, is a marked improvement in municipal services. "This is not just my impression," writes Kadar in the report, "but also that of many residents. I am often told 'something has changed in the Municipality'." Former "clients" of his, he said, describe in wondering tones how their matters are now being dealt with promptly and satisfactorily, by various municipal departments. There is now, he said, a sense of purposefulness among municipal employees that had been lacking in the past. "Citizens who attribute this change to the existence of the Ombudsman are doubtless exaggerating," he writes. "It seems to me that it is the result of a common effort on the part of the employees, improved work procedures and organizational and administrative changes."

The Jerusalem Municipality, however, can still not be confused with heavenly Jerusalem. There are still employees who, instead of apologizing to a citizen when a complaint is found to be justified, respond with argumentativeness and arrogance. In general, says the Ombudsman, this arrogance is in inverse proportion to the employees' age and in direct proportion to his level of education.

The case of the Arab widow was one of 284 (out of the total of 634) found by Kadar to be justified. Her husband, who had been pensioned under the Jordanian regime after 33 years as a municipal employee, died in 1973. He was one of 42 municipal pensioners living in East Jerusalem at the time of the unification of the city. In November, 1967, the Municipal Council voted to continue paying the monthly pensions even though there was no legal obligation. However, the Council made no provision to change the provision laid down in Jordanian law that these pension payments would be terminated upon the death of the former employee with no rights to his family.

In her letter to the Ombudsman, the widow said that her husband's pension had been their only income. After investigating the matter, the Ombudsman wrote City Manager Ronnie Feinstein, recommending that the Municipality apply to the East Jerusalem pensioners Israeli pension laws providing for payment to the families after the man's death. "If the Council had agreed to the moral rights of these pensioners," Kadar wrote, "then these rights apply at least as much to the widows." The following month the Municipal Council adopted the Ombudsman's recommendation.

The boy fined for spitting sunflower seeds in the Chen Cinema did not get his fine revoked as he requested — "I didn't know I broke a law. I'll never do it again." But he did get some strong moral guidance. In a "Dear Uri" letter, the Ombudsman notes that signs forbidding nut chewing are prominently displayed in the cinemas and that he, Uri, had certainly seen them. "But what? There is a spirit of phony 'manliness' and 'being one of the boys' that leads people to slip by the laws. These 'men' think the law isn't for them but only for (what you probably call) 'softies.' It's typical of this type of 'man' that as soon as he's caught, he begs forgiveness and promises never to do it again. No, dear Uri, this isn't the way. If you were 'man' enough to thumb your nose at the law, then be a real man and accept the punishment coming to you."

The American couples living in the Sanhedria Murhevet Quarter wrote to the Ombudsman after they were told there was no room for their children in any of four pre-compulsory kindergartens in the area. The Ombudsman wrote a lengthy reply, explaining the principles guiding admission policy and giving a detailed breakdown as to why there was no room for their children. (Priority had gone to older children and to those from larger families.)

When one of the parents replied that another child in the neighbour hood in similar circumstances had been accepted, Kadar investigated and, after finding the complaint justified, requested the child to be removed from the class. "Justice must not only be done — it must be seen to be done," Kadar wrote the complainant. It subsequently developed that the child had in any case only been admitted on humanitarian grounds for a few weeks prior to flying abroad for a serious operation.

Kadar noted that a relatively large number of complaints were received last year in English, "apparently on the mistaken assumption that a letter in English will receive preferential treatment." Although they describe themselves as new immigrants, the Ombudsman said, most had been in the country for several years and had a good command of Hebrew.

AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE on protein synthesis by living organisms ended yesterday after five days of meetings at Kibbutz Ginossar. The meeting, chaired by Prof. Uriel Littauer, head of the Weizmann Institute's Biochemistry Department, was attended by 105 scientists from 15 countries.

Opposition to Haifa port's firing of 48

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Labour Council on Friday withdrew its earlier approval of the dismissal by the Haifa port management of 48 temporary Druse stevedores.

Council secretary Eliezer Molk declared that he now objected to the dismissal of any men from the port. He warned that he would call a dispute if the 48 men were not rehired and if the port went ahead with plans to fire the remaining 290 temporary stevedores.

The reversal came shortly after the 48 men had worked their last shift. However, several of these were retained because of their appeal that management hadn't considered their longer periods of employment. Management has stated its willingness to dismiss the temporary workers in accordance with the accepted practice of last one hired, first one fired.

Mr. Molk told *The Jerusalem Post* that although the council had previously agreed to the dismissal of the 48, "the management, meanwhile, has made repeated statements that it would dismiss all the temporary men, without contacting the council on the issue, as it should have done."

He said the final straw was last Thursday's decision by the Ports Authority Board, backing the "dismiss all" position.

"The board discussed only unemployment in Haifa port, without even mentioning Ashdod harbour, and we are unable to accept this attitude," Mr. Molk explained. He repeated his belief that the authority "discriminates against Haifa port," and asserted that Thursday's decision confirmed this belief.

According to Mr. Molk, the council will demand that the port management present its employment forecasts and discuss every dismissal invidually. The council, he stated, will fight for every possible man to stay on in the port.

The port spokesman, Yair Bar-Mashiah, told *The Post* that forecasts show there will not be enough work for the 1,400 permanent stevedores when the citrus season ends next month. He explained this was due primarily to more efficient cargo handling methods. He stressed that the board was firm in its decision that all of the temporary men must be dismissed by the end of the citrus season, adding that "we don't think the council will expect us to pay wages to men for whom there is no work and none is expected."

It was reported that the situation is less critical in Ashdod, where only permanent stevedores are employed and there is enough work for all of them.

Israel can take unemployed U.S. Jewish professionals

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The current slump in the American economy may induce unemployed Jewish professionals with skills that are needed here to immigrate to Israel, said Avraham Ben-David, adviser to the Absorption Minister, in an interview with *The Jerusalem Post* last week.

More and more Jews — engineers, scientists and the like — are finding themselves on long lines waiting for unemployment compensation cheques. Jewish Agency representatives, said Mr. Ben-David, should be engaged in an active information campaign to apprise them of work opportunities in Israel.

Nearly 1,000 professionals, most Russians and Americans specializing in the fields of engineering, are being absorbed in practical research jobs in Israel. They are not taking jobs that might have gone to veteran Israelis, but helping to develop previously untried processes and products. Financial support, in the form of low-interest, easy-term loans from an inter-ministerial fund or the Jewish Agency, allows businesses to employ the immigrants or the newcomers themselves to establish themselves. Totalling IL6m., of which 75 per cent is being used to employ both immigrant and veteran Israeli academicians, the fund has been in existence for more than a year.

Among the practical research projects being contemplated or those already in progress are: study of the use of agricultural wastes to be harnessed for the production of electricity and fuel energy to power agricultural settlements; polymer research at Makhteshim chemical plant in Beersheba; water purification projects; a mathematics institute that would employ immigrant professors; research in rocks and minerals on the level attained in Georgia; and a project, worked on in the USSR but unknown here, that would turn sand (or silica) into cement.

Israel has a long way to go in the field of technological research and implementation, Mr. Ben-David noted, but one way to catch up with more experienced countries is to utilize the expertise of new immigrants.

FAMILY OF 3 SLAIN IN THEIR BEDS

Jerusalem Post Staff

RAMEH. — An entire family, consisting of a husband, wife and 2-year-old daughter, were murdered in their sleep in this village (on the Acre-Safed road) yesterday morning.

Walid Tabari, 35, his wife Fadyah, who would have celebrated her 22nd birthday yesterday, and their daughter Khulud, were found stabbed to death in their beds.

The couple were married four years ago and the police believe that a rejected suitor of the then 18-year-old Fadyah may have nursed a grudge all the time. A suspect, a resident of the Lower Galilee village Maghar, has already been arrested.

Tabari played cards with friends at his home until 11 on Friday night. Yesterday morning Fadya's sister, who lives nearby, knocked at the door and got no reply. She called a policeman who is also a neighbour. He entered through an open window and found the three lifeless in bed.

Waste paper for soldiers' welfare

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Soldiers Welfare Association will benefit from the expanded waste-paper collection operation being carried out in cooperation with the Municipality and the Hadera Paper Mills.

Over 400 orange-painted metal containers have been placed all over the city for collecting waste paper. Last year, when less than half the present number of containers were in use, the association received about IL200,000 from waste-paper sales to the mills.

The Municipality has agreed to collect the papers from the containers which are fitted for emptying by the city's refuse trucks. After being cleaned, the trucks pick up the papers and deliver them to Hadera, at the company's expense.

The idea of collecting waste paper for the benefit of soldiers' welfare was first put forward by a Kiryat Tivon housewife, Chava Gruenbaum. It has since become a countrywide operation that is both economical and helps to keep th towns cleaner.

THE ANNUAL BAZAAR of the Working Mothers' Association in Tel Aviv last week yielded IL1,450,000 — 30 per cent more than the previous year. Some 120,000 persons visited the bazaar.

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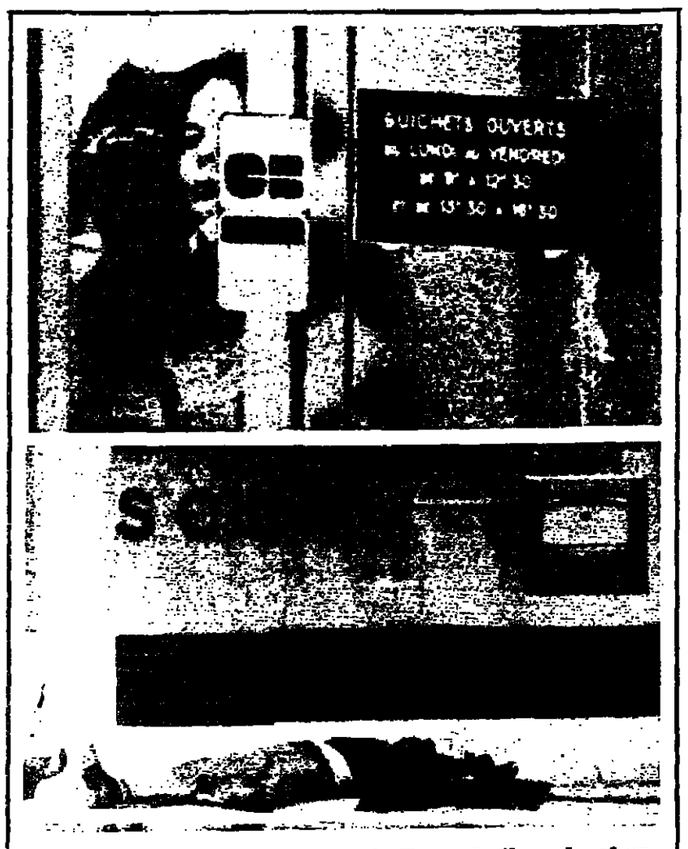


A national manhunt is under way in France in the wake of an armed bank robbery that left two men dead. Two bandits shot a teller dead and held five hostages, after police killed a third gunman outside the bank (below). One of the gangsters held a gun against the head of a hostage (above) while negotiating with police for a getaway car. The bandits later released their hostages, but in their haste, they left behind half of a $476,000 ransom. (AP radiophotos)

Anarchists demand plane, threaten to kill kidnapped Berlin politician

BERLIN. — The anarchist kidnappers holding Berlin's Christian Democratic mayoralty candidate last night reaffirmed their intention to kill their hostage unless all their demands are met and they are allowed to fly to another country.

Bonn and West Berlin authorities debated whether to give in to the urban guerrillas, who seized 52-year old Peter Lorenz on Thursday morning.

"We have not forgotten Fuerstenfeldbrueck and Ramlmayer," the guerrillas' note said. "If the police are planning anything similar, it means certain death for Lorenz."

German police attempted to prevent Arab terrorists leaving Fuerstenfeldbrueck Airport near Munich with Israel Olympic athletes in 1972, when all of the Israeli hostages died.

The guerrillas demanded that a long-range Boeing 707, fully fuelled and crewed, be brought to West Berlin to fly them abroad.

The Americans, British and French, who have occupation rights in West Berlin, agreed in principle to provide such a plane, but said it would not fly over East Germany to West Berlin, but wait at an airfield in West Germany, the city government announced.

In yesterday's note, the guerrillas reaffirmed that their deadline for being out of the country, together with six other urban guerrillas they demand be released from prison, is 9 a.m. tomorrow.

Anarchist fugitive Angela Luther is believed to have driven the kidnappers' car. (AP radiophoto)

The West Germans are forbidden to fly over East Germany.

Mayor Klaus Schuetz announced he will fly to Bonn early today to confer with West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt.

Plans for today's Berlin election went forward without change, despite the kidnapping, although campaigning ceased on Thursday.

Yesterday morning, the authorities acceded to one of the demands made by the guerrilla group calling itself the "June 2 Movement."

Two men, jailed for taking part in an outlawed protest demonstration last November, walked free from prison yesterday.

But the authorities in Bonn and West Berlin were still trying to resolve their main dilemma — whether to free three men and three women, serving jail terms totalling over 50 years, and allow them to fly to an unnamed foreign destination.

The kidnappers as well as the six urban guerrillas they want freed all are associated with the Baader-Meinhof group of violent anarchists that developed after the collapse of a student revolt in 1968.

Both Ulrike Meinhof, the intellectual leader of the group, and Andreas Baader, the sometime car thief and bar-room brawler who initially provided the street fighting know-how, still await trial on the main charges brought against them.

All of the six whose release the kidnappers demanded already have been tried, and sentenced up to 14 years in prison for crimes including bank robbery and murder.

(AP, UPI)

'Depression' is the wo

WASHINGTON (UPI). — In sharp dispute with the Ad tration, former chairman of the Council of Economic A Arthur Okun said yesterday there is no end in sight recession and it may develop into a depression.

Okun, in testimony before Congress' Joint Economic mittee, became the first witness in weeks of hearings the term "depression" to describe how he felt the ec may evolve.

The administration says the recession is going to " out" this summer, with recovery following. But Okun te

"It becomes ever more likely that the history book record this episode as a depression rather than a rec It would take a miracle to stop unemployment below cent, and it is close to an even bet that it will rea per cent."

Bid to end UN Cyprus deadlock

UNITED NATIONS (Reuter). — A group of "non-aligned" states yesterday circulated a private working paper aimed at breaking the deadlock in the Security Council over the Cyprus dispute.

The Council itself, in recess since Thursday night for consultations, was not expected to reconvene until tomorrow at the earliest.

The working paper, drafted by Guyana and Iraq, would establish a "Security Council group," comprising an unspecified number of states, to work with Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim in getting peace talks restarted between leaders of the Greek and Turkish-Cypriot communities.

In Jerusalem yesterday the Foreign Ministry said Israel took no part, directly or indirectly, in last summer's war between Turkish and Greek Cypriots.

The Ministry spokesman said allegations had been made since the war that Israeli forces were involved on one side or the other.

TURKEY W STAY IN N

ROME (AP). — Turkis Minister Melih Esenbel sa will remain in the Atlanti despite the cutoff of mi by the United States.

"Turkey will remain Esenbel told the Italian Ne Asma in an interview pub terday. "And it is my st victon that also future ment will not adopt orientation."

He also said Turkey become a full-title mem European Common Marke as possible."

Meanwhile, President ruturk yesterday asked Premier Sadi Irmak to f tional coalition in the ho ing Turkey's six-month G crisis.

In a nationwide broa President appealed to Tur ring political parties t Irmak's efforts.

Landrovers for Cairo

CAIRO (UPI). — Egypt and British Leyland are expected to reach an agreement soon on the establishment of a Landrover assembly plant in this country, the newspaper "Akhbar El-Yom" said yesterday. The company has agreed to comply with the Arab boycott of Israel, the newspaper said.

Yugoslav wr gets 7-year te

NOVI SAD, Yugoslavia. Dissident writer Mihajlo 40, was convicted yes spreading anti-Yugoslav p and collaborating with hos groups. He was sentence years imprisonment.

Wreckage may hold more corpses

London subway disaster kills 31

LONDON. — Rescue teams cut through the crumpled wreckage of London's worst subway disaster yesterday and found more bodies to push the death toll up to 31, police said. But fire brigade officials said they feared they might find as many as 20 more corpses in the front of the subway car mangled to one-fifth its normal size.

Officials said the cause of the wreck was still unknown, but that investigators had determined that the driver, presumed killed in the crash, had not applied the brakes. They also said the motors had not been turned off.

Officials said it could take another 24 hours to extricate all the bodies from the telescoped wreckage of the train that crashed into a tunnel at Moorgate Station in the heart of the financial district during the Friday morning rush hour.

About 80 persons were injured in the crash at the station, a terminal point, and the last survivors were brought to the surface on Friday night. Some are critically ill and many are badly maimed.

Charles Clisby, London's deputy chief assistant fire officer, said that probing the wreckage of the compressed train was "like taking a pack of cards apart one by one."

He said that in some places the bulkheads of the front three coaches of the six-car train were "compressed so that they are about two inches apart. You get through one sheet of metal, and then there's another one immediately behind it."

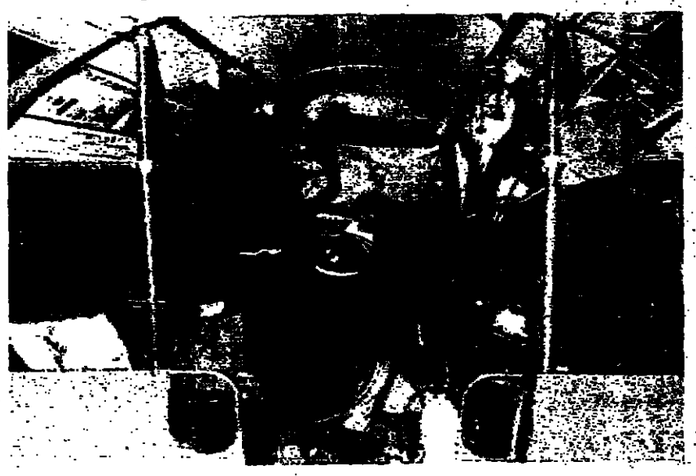
Firemen said they feared the front coach, which bore the brunt of the crash, contained the most passengers. The exit of Moorgate Station is at the end of the platform where the front car should have stopped and commuters normally crowd into this car to get a head-start on leaving.

Graham Bruce, operations manager for London Transport, told a sidewalk news conference that he would not hazard a guess what caused the crash while an inquiry is under way.

He did say, however, that investigators have determined that the driver, 55-year-old Leslie Newson, had not applied the brakes. Newson is presumed dead but his body has not been reached.

"We just don't know why the brakes were not applied," Bruce said. "If there had been any braking, there must be some air still in one of the cylinders, but there is none."

(AP, UPI)



Firemen work inside one of the wrecked coaches of the London subway train which crashed into the buffers at Moorgate Station, during the Friday morning rush hour, killing 31 persons and injuring about 80. (AP radiophoto)

Kurdish bid to hijack Iraqi plane thwarted

TEHERAN. — A woman passenger was killed and another passenger and a hijacker were seriously wounded after three Kurds hijacked an Iraqi airways Boeing 737 yesterday, Iran Civil Aviation Chief Houshang Arbabi said.

Mr. Arbabi corrected earlier reports by an Iranian government spokesman that two passengers and hijacker died in the shootout.

He said only the woman passenger had been killed in the shooting between three hijackers and Iraqi security men at Teheran's Mehrabad Airport. One of the hijackers and a passenger were being operated on in a Teheran hospital, he said. The other hijacker surrendered to Iranian Police.

The shootout came five hours after the three Kurdish hijackers forced the pilot of the plane carrying 85 passengers and crew to land at Mehrabad Airport here. The shootout started when the security men "whipped out their pistols," Information Minister Gholamreza Kianpor said.

Seven other people aboard the plane were reported wounded and were rushed to hospital, airport sources said. Hospital sources said the condition of three of the wounded was "serious."

The hijackers earlier had demanded the release of 85 Kurdish prisoners held by Iran and the payment of $5m. or else they would blow up the plane with the passengers and crew still aboard, sources said. Iraq is engaged in a bloody war with its Kurdish secessionist minority.

The plane was on a domestic flight yesterday afternoon from Mousul in northeast Iraq to Baghdad when the hijackers forced it to fly to Teheran, the sources added.

The rest of the frightened passengers were taken to the airport's international transit lounge for some rest before proceeding to Baghdad.

Airport authorities reported no serious damage to the plane but said it is to be checked thoroughly before flying on to Baghdad.

(AP, UPI, Reuter)

Bonn under pressure to adhere to Arab boycott

By BRIAN ARTHUR
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

BONN. — Oil rich Arab governments are refusing to join with Bonn in development projects for third countries unless the Arab economic boycott against Israel is strictly adhered to, the Bonn parliamentary opposition charged last week.

Development aid expert Juergen Todenhoefer of the Christian Democrats said the Bonn Government was on the verge of giving in to Arab demands in at least one case involving a fertilizer factory in Sri Lanka (formerly Ceyon).

But Mr. Todenhoefer added that in all other recent negotiations with Arab states on projects using German know-how and Arab oil money, the Arab side had also insisted on observing the boycott against Israel.

"This means that all German firms which are on the 'black list' of the Arab League because of special business relations with Israel will be excluded from orders" in connection with the aid projects, Mr. Todenhoefer explained.

The opposition has voiced similar suspicions in the past, but last week's charges by Todenhoefer were the most comprehensive and detailed so far. He called on Development Aid Minister Egon Bahr to withdraw from the Sri Lanka project to preserve West Germany's "neutrality" in the Mideast and to prevent a "dangerous precedent."

According to Mr. Todenhoefer, the Sri Lanka fertilizer project differs slightly from Mr. Bahr's model in that it involves $20m. in "parallel financing" by West Germany, the Asian Development Bank, Iran, India and the Kuwait Development Fund.

Pakistan protest over Kashmir

UNITED NATIONS (UPI). — Pakistan has protested to Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim and Security Council President Huang Hua of China against India's takeover of the state of Kashmir.

Pakistani Ambassador Iqbal Akhund said on Friday he did not ask for a Council meeting or any UN action.

India restored Sheikh Mohammed Abdullah last Tuesday as chief minister of the state of Kashmir and Jammu after a lapse of 22 years.

India and Pakistan have been at odds over Kashmir since India occupied two-thirds of the state in a 1948 war.

CABLES IN BRIEF

MOSCOW. — "Pravda" yesterday characterized as "political blackmail" U.S. Senator Jacob Javits's suggestion that Israel be admitted to Nato. The Communist Party newspaper said the suggestion showed how far some U.S. officials are from favouring detente.

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SEOUL. — former opposition presidential candidate Kim Dae-jung and several others were suddenly placed under house arrest yesterday as President Park Chung-hee's government tightened surveillance on anti-government moves. Plainclothes men broke up a scheduled news conference by Mrs. Yun Po-sun, former first lady, while police remained alerted as the nation celebrated the 56th anniversary of the anti-Japanese uprising in 1919.

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WASHINGTON. — President Ford reportedly has told associates that if current investigations of the CIA "go too far" they could uncover involvement in several assassinations of foreign officials, said on Friday night. Cl pondent Daniel Schorr a assassinations are inv that they are thought taken place in the 196 1950s.

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MALAYSIA. — Multi-tin magnate Foong Seong kidnapped and is being $1m. ransom, family so on Friday. Foong Seong genarian, was abducted mistress's house on Wed three men. One of the armed with a pistol. posed a nationwide new on the incident, apparent tect Foong Seong.

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Guts Ishimatsu of Japan holds his two-year-old baby in the ring shortly after he successfully defended his World Boxing Council's lightweight championship title in Tokyo on Thursday night against Scotland's Ken Buchanan. (AP radiophoto)

KLM, NBC and CBS escape Arab boycott

CAIRO (UPI). — The Arab Boycott Office yesterday decided against adding the Dutch airline KLM and two American broadcasting companies to its blacklist.

Chairman Mohamed Mahgoub said the delegates from 20 Arab League states banned the Transcap firm of Dahomey for its dealings with Israel and removed from the blacklist the Etablissements Brun electric equipment company of France.

In all, the boycott office considered 12 foreign companies in its third round, bringing to 48 the number of firms discussed since the biannual session began last Sunday.

The candidates for the blacklist dropped by the conferees were KLM, the First National Bank of Chicago, Group Centrala Industrie Linii and Bambacului of Rumania, Covma Oil and Chemicals of Britain, Yangtze Klang Skirt Company and Jingle Corp., both of Hong Kong, Viagrex Canning of Cyprus, and the National Broadcasting Co. (NBC) and Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS).

Mahgoub said NBC and CBS would be allowed to continue activities in the Arab world as long as they served the Arab cause. He said the two firms would be kept "under supervision."

"The Arab boycott is not only a weapon to stop the development of Israel's economy but it is a weapon to consolidate Arab economy and proof of this is that the companies who have been lifted from the boycott are now able to invest heavily in the Arab world," Mahgoub said. Examples he gave were Kaiser industries of America, which he said had invested "more than $8m. in the Gulf area and British Leyland Motor which will build a factory in Egypt for around $115m."

The delegates, meeting at the Nileside Arab League headquarters, have added eight and deleted eight companies and dropped 22 potential blacklist firms because "they had readjusted their positions."

S. LEBANON GOV. REMOVED

Beirut gives in to leftist demand after clashes

BEIRUT (UPI). — Faced with a mounting wave of strikes and protests, the government met in emergency session on Friday and decided to temporarily relieve the governor of southern Lebanon of his duties, following public outrage over clashes earlier this week that left several persons dead or wounded, including a popular politician.

Beirut Radio announced the cabinet, meeting in a three-hour special session under President Suleiman Franjieh, decided to give Henry Lahhoud, the governor of the south, "administrative leave."

Left-wing political parties had demanded Lahhoud's transfer as one of the conditions for calling off a wave of nation-wide strikes and demonstrations, called to protest a bloody clash between demonstrators and the army in the southern city of Sidon last Wednesday.

Two persons were killed — a soldier and a man identified as a "Palestinian guerrilla" — and several others wounded, including former Member of Parliament Marouf Sa'ad. The army said the deaths occurred when gunmen ambushed an army patrol moving in to break up the demonstration, called to protest the government's awarding of coastal fishing rights to a large commercial company.

The Popular Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PDFLP) later identified one of the dead as one of its men.

Trial sparks Rome riots

ROME (UPI). — Police are standing ready for more rioting following street battles on Friday between right-wing and leftist youths which neo-fascist leader Giorgio Almirante said amounted to "authentic civil war."

Greek student Mikis Mantekas, 22, was killed on Friday by a bullet, 10 persons were injured, two of them by gunfire, and 12 suffered bruises in the day-long fighting over an arson-murder trial. Among the injured were two policemen beaten up by a crowd.

The fighting began outside the Rome courthouse where three left-wingers are on trial on murder charges.

The three, members of the extra-parliamentary "Worker Power" movement, were accused of setting fire to the apartment of Mario Mattei, an official of the neo-fascist Italian Social Movement (MSI), in April, 1973. Mattei's two sons were burned to death.

Following Friday's demonstrations, police arrested architecture student Fabrizio Pnazieri, 26, and charged him with complicity in the killing of Mantekas, a right-wing sympathizer.

Police used truncheons and tear gas to break up fights in the commercial area from Piazzale Clodio to Piazza Risorgimento near the Vatican.

ROME. — Italian President Giovanni Leone leaves here today on a four-day visit to Saudi Arabia and Oman to try and tie up some major economic deals needed to restore the Italian economy.

Stage set for Opec summit on Tuesday

ALGIERS. — Foreign, finance and oil ministers of the 13-nation Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) gathered yesterday to set the stage for a meeting of Opec heads of state facing their first serious challenge since the 1973 Middle East war.

Following the ministers' weekend meeting in the Palais des Nations beside the Mediterranean near this Algerian capital, the kings, sheikhs and presidents of the Opec countries will open a three-day summit on Tuesday, the first in the organization's history.

The summit was called to consolidate the producers' position for an exchange in Paris in late March or early April with major consuming countries and developing nations.

But it comes at a time when world-wide demand for oil is falling sharply and the erosion of the dollar, on which the oil price is calculated, is cutting into the purchasing power of profits.

The big question for the producers — who tripled prices in 1973 — is how to keep them at today's $10.12 a barrel level when demand is down from 36 million barrels a day in 1973 to 30 million now and expected to fall further in response to the mild winter, the recession hitting industrialized nations and consumer conservation.

Aramco already has closed the Tapline pipeline from Saudi Arabia to Lebanese ports. At a meeting in Vienna earlier last week, the Opec oil ministers gave the United Arab Emirates (UAE) permission to cut prices of heavy gravity crude by 15 to 18 cents a barrel.

In Paris, Abu Dhabi's oil minister announced yesterday an agreement with Western companies to lower oil prices and increase production in the Persian Gulf emirate. Manna Saeed al Otaiba said the price of Abu Dhabi's best crude petroleum would drop about 55 cents from its prime of $11.20 a barrel. This was the first official price cutback in a country belonging to Opec.

The oil ministers at the Vienna meeting turned the problem of the weakening dollar over to an economic commission that will meet in Vienna on April 1. They gave the dollar until June, when the next regular ministers' meeting will be held in Gabon, to level off from its decline which has amounted to a 10 per cent drop against other major currencies in the last few months.

The formal outcome of the summit will be a declaration of principles for Opec to take to Paris for its first conference with the International Energy Agency, the American-backed organization formed of consumers to match the power of united producers.

The 18 member states were reported nearing agreement on a proposal for an oil price minimum of about $5 to $8 a barrel to protect their investment in other sources of energy if — as they expect — the oil prices fall drastically.

It was reported yesterday that King Faisal of Saudi Arabia will boycott this week's conference to protest the cartel's refusal to lower prices. The Vienna newspaper "Kurier" said that Faisal in a demonstrative way would show his feeling that oil should be cheaper.

However, sources in Beirut doubted that he ever planned to go to Algiers. The sources said Italian President Giovanni Leone is making a state visit to Saudi Arabia March 3-5, a visit that made unlikely a trip out of the country for Faisal. *(UPI, AP)*

PRAGUE. — Four persons were killed and 28 injured when an explosion ripped through a Brno power plant on Friday night. Witnesses said smoke billowed 400 metres high and that the shock wave shattered windows in the vicinity.

Abie Nathan ends fast for peace ship

AMSTERDAM (AFP). — Israeli peace activist Abie Nathan on Friday ended a 40-day hunger strike, aimed at raising funds to resume broadcasts from his "peace ship," which has been at anchor in Marseilles for two years.

But Abie, who left New York, during his fast — because of the lack of reponse there — raised only about IL12,500.

Gaddafi threatens war over Iranians in Oman

BEIRUT (UPI). — Col. Muammar Gaddafi, chairman of the Libyan Revolution Command Council, warned Sultan Qaboos of Oman and the Arab League yesterday that Libya would wage war against the Sultan unless he expelled Iranian troops from his kingdom.

Gaddafi's threat came in messages to Qaboos and Arab League Secretary-General Mahmoud Riad, which were released on Friday by Libya's Arab Revolution News Agency (Arna).

Qaboos had brought in the Iranians to help him fight the Marxist rebels of the Popular Front for the liberation of Oman who are seeking to overthrow his regime.

In the message to Qaboos, Gaddafi said: "We wonder how you would be so foolish as to bring in regular foreign armies to occupy Muscat first, and then the entire south of the Arabian Peninsula.

"We appeal to you for the last time to demand the immediate withdrawal of these foreign armies," Gaddafi said. "If your request is rejected, then notify us and we will fight them along your side. But if you do not, we warn you a war will be waged, in which you will be on the side of the foreign invaders, and we on the side of our Arab people.

"We hope that you will return to your senses and spare all of us the tragedy of an inevitable confrontation before it is too late," Gaddafi said.

In the message to Riad, he said the Shah of Iran seized the opportunity of the Arabs' pre-occupation with the conflict with Israel to "stab them in the back." Gaddafi said the Arabs have no choice but to fight both Israel and Iran at the same time.

"An Iranian occupation of the south of the Arabian Peninsula will weaken the Arabs in the confrontation with Israel and place them between the two jaws of the pincers," he said.

"The Arabs, therefore, should resolve this question before it is too late," he said. "If other Arabs hesitate as usual, the Libyan Arab Republic declares it will shoulder its Pan-Arab responsibility, confront the invading army and align itself with the people and revolutionaries of the region."

Letter too late to save U.S. consul in Argentina

CORDOBA, Argentina. — Hours after the blood-spattered body of U.S. honorary consul John Patrick Egan was found by police here on Friday, American officials received a letter apparently written by him.

The letter, addressed to Ambassador Robert Hill, asked for his help in obtaining the release of four members of the Montoneros guerrilla group who have apparently disappeared. "If these people are not dead, please use your influence to have them released," a local newspaper quoted the letter as saying.

The paper, "Los Principios," printed what it said was the text of the letter. "If the request of the Montoneros is not completed in time, I will suffer," it said. The leftwing underground group reportedly held the consul for 51 hours before killing him.

Police, acting on a telephoned tip, found the letter Friday night only after they discovered the body, informed sources said. The text was relayed to Buenos Aires and read to Ambassador Hill.

An embassy spokesman confirmed that Hill saw the letter too late but had no comment on what might have been the embassy's course otherwise. The embassy would also not say if the letter was thought to be genuine or not.

In addition to asking Hill to use his influence, the letter said, "At this time, my life is in your hands and the hands of the friendly government of Isabel Martinez and the friendly army. Thank you."

The guerrillas said they killed Egan because he represented "Yankee interests." In a communique, the Montenero kidnapers said they wanted to strike a blow against the government which they said was handing Argentina over to the Americans. While Egan was held, Argentine officials made no response to guerrilla demands. Instead they mounted the biggest search in the country's history. *(AP, UPI)*

13th victim in Ulster's tit-for-tat slayings

BELFAST (UPI). — Gunmen firing from a speeding car killed a young Protestant on Friday night. It was the third fatal shooting in Northern Ireland in 24 hours and police said they feared more sectarian tit-for-tat murders.

The 20-year-old youth, Thomas Truesdale, was standing at a street corner in North Belfast when the hail of machinegun bullets cut him down, police said. He was dead before an ambulance could get him to the hospital.

A girl, aged 14, standing nearby, also was hit, but her condition was said not to be serious.

The newest spate of religious-motivated killings brought the death toll to 13 since a cease-fire by the outlawed Irish Republican Army went into effect on February 10.

But police said they had no evidence that the IRA had broken its truce. The killings, they said, were part of a vicious circle of attacks started by Protestant militants bent on forcing the Roman Catholic-based IRA back to violence by killing Catholics at random.

Unruly elements in the Catholic community were responding by gunning down Protestants and the killing was likely to go on, they said.

Members of Protestant paramilitary groups took to the streets in their parts of Belfast late Friday, apparently as part of a private police operation they had been threatening for several days.

Ida Kaminska to live in Israel

NEW YORK (JTA). — Ida Kaminska, the grande dame of the Yiddish theatre and international actress, will immigrate to Israel early in March.

Settling there with her husband, Meir Melman, also a famous Yiddish actor, they will be joining the newly-formed Yiddish theatre in Tel Aviv. Both Ida Kaminska and her husband left Poland in late 1968.

Ida Kaminska, the star of the Academy Award-winning, "Shop on Main Street," was the founder and star of the Jewish state theatre in Poland, established in 1946.

Henry Ford's driving licence suspended

DETROIT (UPI). — Michigan authorities have announced they will suspend car maker Henry Ford II's licence to drive for 90 days because of his drunk driving conviction in California.

A spokesman for the Michigan Secretary of State's office said that the 57-year-old chairman of Ford Motor Co. could appeal the suspension.

Ford's attorneys said they plan no appeal of his conviction. Ford was arrested by a policeman who said he spotted Ford's car weaving in a Santa Barbara suburb.

Marcos: China ties in '75

MANILA. — President Ferdinand Marcos, encouraged by an apparently overwhelming mandate to continue his rule of martial law, said yesterday he will establish diplomatic relations with China before the end of the year.

Marcos also told a news conference that the Philippines will strengthen trade with the USSR and move afterward to establish diplomatic ties with Moscow and other socialist countries.

Regarding the Moslem secessionist rebellion in the Mindanao-Sulu region, Marcos said the government will resume peace negotiations with the insurgents in April in Saudi Arabia, site of previous negotiations.

Marcos said he will visit Peking soon before making the Philippines the second member of the Association of Southeast Asia Nations to normalize ties with China. Malaysia is the only other state in the organization with diplomatic ties to Peking.

Ethiopian troops cut rebel push at crucial transport junction

ADDIS ABABA (UPI). — Government forces repelled a secessionist attack on Keren rail and road junction 90 kilometres northwest of Asmara, reports reaching here yesterday said.

The reports indicated the army used heavy artillery, mortars and rockets in a battle lasting several days, forcing the rebels to retreat to nearby mountain strongholds. The battle was said to be the biggest and most sustained since fighting began in Eritrea one month ago.

The secessionists came under increased pressure after government troops reopened the Asmara-Keren road earlier this week. Military observers said the reported government victory lends weight to the belief that government forces have regained the initiative in Eritrea after initial setbacks at the hand of the rebels.

The observers predicted the fighting will drag on for some time unless the Sudan or some other intermediary succeeds in arranging a cease-fire. Another vital aspect is the U.S. decision on a request from Ethiopia's military rulers for a grant of emergency arms supplies.

If such aid is not forthcoming, the government troops in Eritrea, now estimated at 20,000 to 25,000, will begin to run out of heavier ammunition in a matter of weeks, the military observers said.

Meanwhile in the capital the military government marked the first anniversary of Ethiopia's revolution Friday, with a radio statement which said that "Ethiopia's fight is between the majority of the people and the feudal rulers. But let it be known that the masses will crush all who oppose them."

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Tickets: "Kupat Haifa", 21 Rehov Herzl from March 4.

(The company takes off for Vienna on April 1.)

EVENTS — ASSOCIATION OF AMERICANS & CANADIANS IN ISRAEL — PROGRAMMES

BEERSHEBA: Mar. 4 Regional Board meeting, 8.30 p.m.

HAIFA:
Mar. 3 Moadon Haoleh: AACI in cooperation with Moetzet Klitat Aliya of Haifa Municipality: Mr. Aharon Schapira of the Haifa Municipal Council on "Haifa — Plans and Developments"; enterbainment by "Ahim Ve Ahayot" folk ensemble, 8.30 p.m. Tickets at AACI office, admission IL5.
Mar. 5 Merkaz Klita, Kiryat Eliezer: Housing Possibilities for the Immigrant, 4.30 p.m.
Mar. 8 Moadon Haoleh: A comedy in English, "Relatively Speaking." In cooperation with Nahariya Western Settlers Association, an AACI affiliate. Tickets IL5 at AACI office. Performance 8:30 p.m.
Mar. 11 Moadon Eliahu, 104 Sderot Hanassi: Seniors general meeting with Celia Margolin, National AACI Seniors Chairman. Subject — housing projects. Also slides on Israel by Mr. Ghtayer, 5.00 p.m.
Mar. 08 Nahariya City Hall Auditorium: Nahariya Western Settlers Association. Slides shown by Mr. Leonard Bass on the Tutankhamon Exhibition at the British Museum, 8.30 p.m.
Mar. 18 Bet Katz, Kiryat Bialik: Krayot Branch Social get-together, folk songs, musical entertainment, 8.30 p.m.
Every Wednesday, 10 a.m. — Noon — Moadon Eliahu, 104 Sderot Hanassi: crafts class for Seniors with Mr. Flesch.

JERUSALEM:
Mar. 4 Moadon Haoleh: Executive meeting, 8.15 p.m.
Mar. 10 Moadon Haoleh: Seniors — Book Review by Ann Sternberg, 4 p.m.
Mar. 23 Guided tour, in English, of Islamic Museum, 10.30 a.m. For first 25 people who sign up in advance at AACI.
Every Wednesday, 3.30 p.m., Moadon Haoleh — Guitar Lessons.
PARENTS WITHOUT PARTNERS — AACI Affiliate:
Events on dates following, 8.30 p.m. Mar. 3, Mar. 6, Mar. 03, Mar. 18, Mar. 23, Mar. 30.

NETANYA:
Mar. 4 Bus tour of Tel Aviv High Spots.
Mar. 6 Civic Actions Group (contact office for details).
Mar. 17 9 Rehov Shmuel Hanatziv, 9.00 p.m. — Shmuel Ninio with slides on "History of Jews of Morocco." Also Lisa and David Loudon, new immigrant vocalists from the U.S.

TEL AVIV:
Mar. 2 Beit Tabory, 7 Rehov Shulamit (near Kikar Dizengoff): Housing, the Law and You" — Mr. Dov Zakin, M.K.; Mr. Yitzhak Heimowitz, AACI Legal Committee Chairman; Mrs. Judith Noam, AACI Housing Committee Chairman. 8.00 p.m. Members IL2 and non-members IL4.
Mar. 6 Regional Council meeting, 7 p.m.
Mar. 6 Bat Yam Executive Committee.
Mar. 12 Ashdod Membership meeting (details to be announced).
Mar. 13 Ashkelon, Beit Eli, Afridar: Membership meeting. Mr. Julius Fischbach on "Life and Customs of the Yemenite and Georgian Jewry" — 8 p.m.
Mar. 17 Beit Hamlin, 30 Rehov Weizmann: AACI Regional Arts and Crafts Exhibition and Bazaar. Raffles every hour plus auction, admission free. 10 a.m.—10 p.m.

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Opening of Series of Lectures (Hebrew) on:
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Prof. Ruth Amiran
will lecture on:
CANANITE ARAD AND ITS CONNECTIONS WITH SINAI
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Also at 8.30 p.m.
In cooperation with the Association of Friends, Tel Aviv University
Prof. Henri N. Neufeld
School of Medicine, Tel Aviv University and Director of the Cardiology Institute, Tel Hashomer Hospital
will lecture in Hebrew on
New Methods in CARDIOLOGY
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Monday
March 3, 5.30 p.m.
Series of Lectures (Hebrew) on THE ECONOMY OF ISRAEL sponsored by Mr. A. Eublastein, Member of the ZOA House Management Committee on ECONOMIC INFLUENCES ON SOCIAL GAPS
Discussion with the participation of lecturers from the Economics Dept., Tel Aviv University
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Thursday
March 6, 8.30 p.m.
INSTITUTE OF ISRAEL STUDIES (English Seminar)
Opening of Series of Lectures on
THE WARS OF ISRAEL SINCE 1948
Mr. Nathaniel Lorch
Secretary of the Knesset
will lecture on:
THE GENESIS OF THE ARAB-ISRAEL CONFLICT
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Saturday
March 8, 11 a.m.
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will lecture in Hebrew on:
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Monday
March 10, 5.30 p.m.
Series of Lectures on THE ECONOMY OF ISRAEL (Hebrew)
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Thursday
March 13, 8 p.m.
BIBLIA RESEARCH
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At 8.30 p.m.
INSTITUTE OF ISRAEL STUDIES (English)
Seminar on
THE WARS OF ISRAEL SINCE 1948
Dr. Gabi Cohen,
The Hebrew University, Jerusalem
will lecture on
ISRAEL'S WAR OF INDEPENDENCE 1947/48
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Sunday
March 16, 8.30 p.m.
Lectures on ARCHAEOLOGY in cooperation with Tel Aviv University
Dr. David Ussishkin
will lecture in Hebrew on:
KING SOLOMON'S PALACES
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Monday
March 17, 5 p.m.
Opening of Series of Lectures in English on SHAKESPEARE
Sonnets and Plays
Lecturer: Mrs. Rebecca Greenwald, Tel Aviv University
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Thursday
March 20, 8.30 p.m.
INSTITUTE OF ISRAEL STUDIES (English)
In the framework of the Seminar on THE WARS OF ISRAEL
Alaf-Mishne (Res).
Mordechai Bar-On
will lecture on
THE SINAI CAMPAIGN (Kadesh 1956)

Sunday
March 23, 8.30
Lectures on ARCHAEOLOGY in cooperation with Tel Aviv University
Prof. Raphael Giveon
will lecture in Hebrew on
EGYPTIAN FINDINGS IN ERETZ ISRAEL AND SINAI
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Series of Lectures in English on SHAKESPEARE
Sonnets and Plays
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Dr. Ram Gophna
will lecture in Hebrew on
ANCIENT SETTLEMENTS ON THE COASTS OF ERETZ ISRAEL
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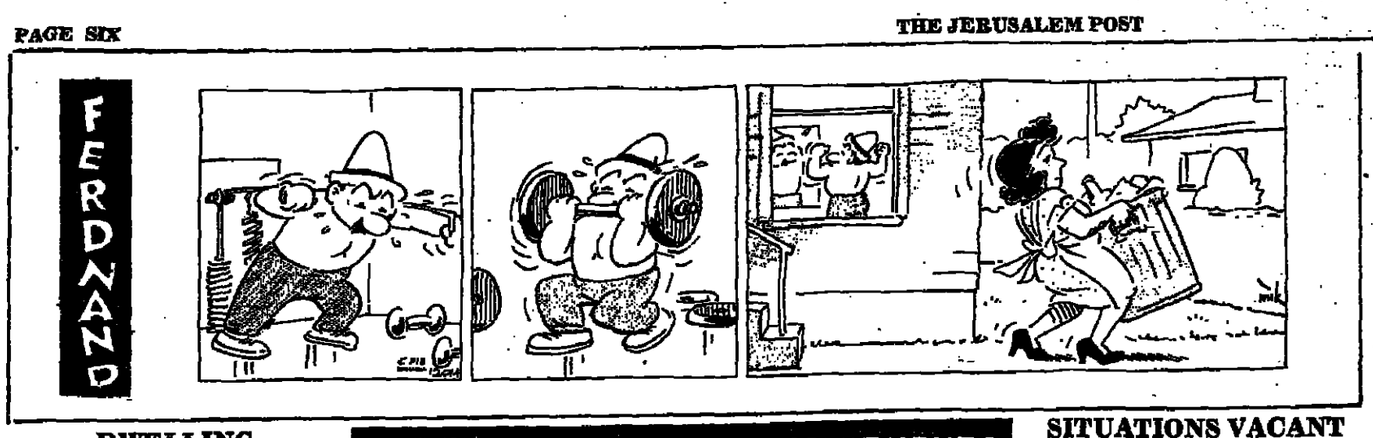

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2nd Programme: 6.05 a.m., 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, 12.00, 1.00 p.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, midnight and 1.00 a.m.

Galei Zahal: News: 6.00 a.m., 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, 12.00, 1.00 p.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, midnight, 1.00 a.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00.

Newsreels: 8.05 a.m., 5.05 p.m. and 12.05.

FIRST PROGRAMME

256, 522 and 231 M.

7.58 a.m. Opening. 8.10 "Morning Concert" — Loeillet: Flute Sonata; Beethoven: Clarinet Trio. 9.05 Bach: Capriccio (Landowska); Mozart: Devertimento, K. 166; Mozart: Piano Concerto No. 20 (Geza Anda). 10.05 Franck: Symphonic Variations (Ogdon — piano); Dvorak: Symphony No. 7 (Szell). 11.00 News in easy Hebrew. 11.05 Ivrit La'am. 11.15 Programmes for Elementary Schools. 11.40 Song and Melody. 12.15 Programmes for Elementary Schools. 12.35 Arjan Blanken, tenor-Eldad Neumark, piano — Schubert: Lieder from "Die schoene Muellerin". 1.05 Midday Concert — Sibelius: Violin Concerto (Stern); Honegger: First Symphony. 2.10 Mother and Child. 3.05 "Radiodea" — Improving your Knowledge. 3.30 Literature. 3.50 Book Review. 4.10 A Moment of Hebrew. 4.11 "Musica Viva" — Honegger: Prelude, Arioso & Fugato; Zbinder: Three Preludes; Wiesmer: Sonata (Ruedi-Nicolau, piano); Gilboa: "Fourteen Epigrams of Oscar Wilde" (Mayer-Reinach); Wohl: "With Mixed Feelings" (Yehuda Cohen, percusions; S. Fuxon-Heyman, piano). 5.10 Music for Sunday (Stereo) — Carissimi: "Yephtah"; Teleman: Canatata No. 19; Dextehude: "Jubliate Domino". 6.05 People and Figures. 6.30 "Am Israel Hai." 6.50 A. Allon's Corner. 6.55 For the Farmer. 7.05 "Today." 7.25 Light Music. 7.50 Bible Reading: Yeheskel, chaps 21 and 22. 8.05 Radio Chess Competition. 8.07 Holon Chamber Orchestra, Mindru Katz, piano — Bach: Piano Concerto in F minor; Toccata and Fugue in D (arr. Busoni); Chromatic Fantasy and Fugue (arr. Fischer); Piano Concerto in D minor. 9.25 "First and Last" — Alban Berg. 10.05 Programme in Memory of Yoash Arad.— Rossini: Quartet No. 3 (Israel Quartet); Boccherini: Flute Quintet (Nicolet); Janacek: Second String Quartet. 12.10 A Moment of Poetry. 12.13 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME

457, 422, 249, 355 and 346 M.

8.58 Opening. 6.00 Religious Service. 6.10 Exercises. 6.20 Musical Clock. 6.55 Programme Announcements. 6.59 A Moment of Hebrew. 7.05 This Morning. 7.35 "Hebrew Songs." 7.55 Green Light. 8.10 Announcements. 8.15 "Good Morning." 8.55 "Names and Events in the Headlines." v9.05 "Good Morning" (cont.) 10.05 "Here at Home." 11.40 Where to go and light music. 12.05 Programme for the Worker and the Employer. 12.30 Hebrew Songs. 1.05 p.m. "At Midday." 2.10 Requests. 3.52 "Names and Events in the Jewish Scene." 4.10 A Moment of Hebrew. 4.11 Foreign Hit Parade. 4.30 S. Rosen's Quiz. 4.35 Hit Parade. 5.55 "Traffic Signal." 6.05 Hit Parade (cont.). 6.45 Today's sport. 6.55 Announcements. 9.05 "The Problem in Question." 9.35 Hebrew Songs. 10.05 "Cat Stevens" — the story of a success. 11.05 "Open Door." 1.05 Close Down.

FIFTH PROGRAMME

445 M.

6.58 Opening. 7.00 News. 7.05 Song and Melody. 8.00 News. 8.05 Song and Melody.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR

458, 323, 258, 285 and 340 M.

7.00 p.m. News in easy Hebrew. Ivrit La'am. 7.15 Georgian. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Ladino. 8.15 Mograbi. 8.30 Rumanian. 8.45 Russian. 9.00 Close Down.

ENGLISH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES

7.00 a.m. (4th programme and short waves); 1.30-2.00 p.m. (4th programme and short waves); 6.00 p.m. (4th programme); 8.30-8.45 (4th programme); 10.00-10.55 p.m. (short waves).

FRENCH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES

7.15 a.m. (4th programme and short waves); 2.00-2.30 p.m. (4th programme and short waves); 5.05 (4th programme); 8.45-9.00 (4th programme); 12.00-1.00 a.m. (short waves).

4th Programme — 292, 407, and 445 M.

3rd Programme (short waves) — 16, 19, 31, 33, 38 and 41 M.

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5.58 a.m. Morning Prayer. 6.[illegible] Tunes. 7.55 Programme Trailer. Newsreel. 9.05 Requests. 9.55 Ha[illegible] Corner. 10.05 Warm and T[illegible] Mordechai Naor's Corner. 12.05 [illegible] 12.55 "Stars and Stripes." 1.05 S[illegible] reads Dalia Rabikovitz's song [illegible] nouncements. 2.05 "Two Hit[illegible] "With One Composer — Getz[illegible]

ISRAEL TELEVISION SE[illegible]

5.30 News. 5.32 "Alice in Wo[illegible] 8.00 Youth Magazine. 8.30 M[illegible] "The Zoo Gang." 9.50 Docum[illegible] Yair Horowitz. 10.40 News. *Educational:* 9.05 English 5. 10 [illegible] 9. 10.30 Science 5. 10.45 Fren[illegible] Game on Words 7-9. 11.25 Ma[illegible] English 10. 12.20 Advice and G[illegible] 12.40 Technical Drawing 9. 1.0[illegible] 1.25 Chess-Lesson 13. 4.00 F[illegible] 4.13 English 5. 4.25 Chess-Les[illegible] Pupils' education programme [illegible] *Arabic:* 5.30 News. 6.32 "[illegible] Susu." 7.00 Documentary. 7.30 [illegible] Weekly Magazine.

Zahal's Newsreel. 5.40 "T[illegible] Dangerous." 5.55 Programme [illegible] Literary Magazine. 7.05 "Radi[illegible] "Zionism without quotation mar[illegible] Request. 11.05 "On the Line." 1[illegible] Talk. 12.05 Night Birds. 2.05 [illegible] 3.05-6.00 Tunes in the night.

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CONTEMPORARY ART by Dr. Michael Levin (in Hebrew). On the occasion of the exhibition: "ALCOA." Collection of Contemporary Art. The audience will be invited to a Gallery Talk at the exhibition by Dr. Levin.
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CONCERTS
(Organized in cooperation with the Tel Aviv Municipality, Culture, Youth and Sport Department)
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Lecturers: Leo and Sylvia Krown

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March 31 — PATTERNS OF INTEGRATION OF RUSSIAN OLIM
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Wed., March 5, 8.00 p.m. — The Bentinck Art History Lecture Series (Heb., with slides and art films) — "Islamic Art in Iran" (B): "Islamic pottery in Iran," Dr. Myriam Rosen-Ayalon, Chairman, Dept. of Islamic Culture, Hebrew University. In coop. with the Dept. of Islamic Civilization, Hebrew University. Tickets: IL1 (non-members: IL3)

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BUSINESS & FINANCE

ITALIAN MANUFACTURER OPENS TWO PLANTS HERE

Boost for Israel textile industry

By DAVID KRIVINE
Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

ENNIO LEVI'S two factories in Israel are becoming a reality. His nylon plant is complete and in production. The polyester plant will be finished at the end of this year. By the time both are fully run in, their production volume will be almost as great as Levi's factory in Milan.

Like Gibor, the Nilit project was spelled in the Israeli press, because construction costs kept going up. As the Government was supplying 40 per cent of the investment (in accordance with the Capital Investments Law—the enterprise being situated in Migdal Ha'Emek, a development area), the Treasury had to fork out increasing sums. Critics wondered whether it was not money thrown away.

In Gibor's case, the objection was that the firm made excessive profits, so why should it have got cheap government loans? But Gibor prospered because it was a pioneer enterprise, in the manufacture of panty-hose. When other manufacturers jumped on the bandwaggon (and it was foreseen they would), boom gave way to slump, and Gibor had to fight hard for survival. Having taken what was its due when times happened to be good, it does not beg for succour when times are bad. And the critics' voice is curiously stilled.

Ennio Levi, tall, slim and urbane, will have ploughed investments in (from participants in Europe and from the Israeli Government) to the sum of over IL200m. — as against original estimates of half that sum. In mid-1972 Haim Bar-Lev, Minister of Commerce and Industry, explained to reporters that the figure had gone up to IL130m. — which again turned out to fall short of reality. The questions that should now interest the public are three, in ascending importance: will Nilit pay back the loans; will it give employment in the development areas as envisaged; and will it earn foreign currency as planned?

The current international slowdown is felt most sharply in textiles

Ennio Levi

(as usual). But Levi does not fear recessions, because they have been part of his working life ever since he entered the industry—over forty years ago as a boy of 14. "Textiles are funny," he says with a wry grin —"always up and down." His calculations are based on the long run and the multi-year average. He believes that the businessman's answer to a slump is: work harder, use your noodle, out-compete your rivals. He is confident that Nilit will sell its output, and will be in the black. As I sat with him, two big orders came in from abroad on the Telex. His face lit up like a football fan whose team has scored a goal.

Today, Israel imports (in a normal year) 14,000 tons of nylon and polyester yarn, at a cost of around $50m. This is roughly the planned output of Nilit. Most will be sold locally (the biggest customer being that same Gibor), part will be sold abroad. Buyers include Levi's own factory in Italy, which manufactures synthetic fabrics.

It is worth noting that there are three main synthetic yarns in existence, the third being acrilan, which is also made in Israel — by Israel Chemical Fibres in Ashdod. With the completion of Nilit's polyester unit, Israel will be manufacturing all three.)

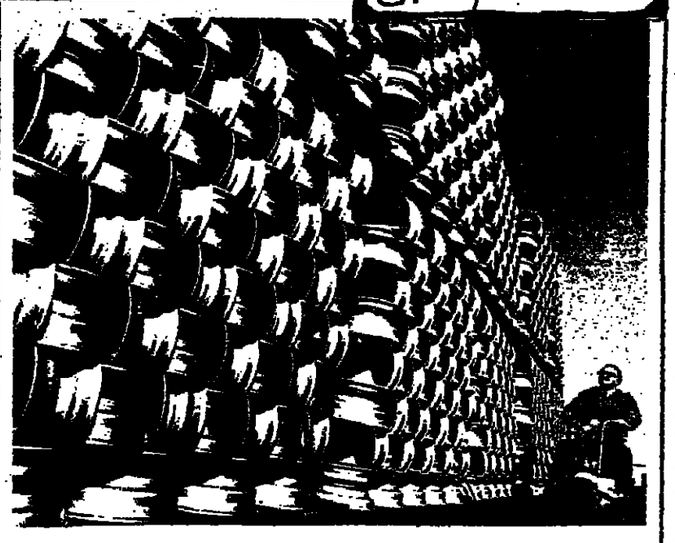
Nilit is due to employ 400 workers (200 today). As to the Government loans, they should not be difficult to repay, since they are not linked. Nilit's competitors abroad also got unlinked loans, and as foreign countries are suffering inflation these days as well as Israel, the benefit is not as great as it seems. In general the only way to judge whether industries receive too much or too little from the State is by comparing their net earnings with their production costs. On that basis, textiles today are not a gift to anyone.

Mr. Levi in fact adds his voice to those who complain that the effective exchange-rate for exports is too low. Israel is not the only Government to aid its industrialists in selling goods abroad. The Common Market countries have lists of "habitual exporters", he points out, and these get cheap working capital, tax refunds and what you will.

Nilit occupies a 350-dunam site in Migdal Ha'Emek, with room to expand——and it will expand. Meanwhile it is costs-conscious enough to be shifting its Tel Aviv office out of Shalom Towers for a more inexpensive alternative in Kikar Ha'Medina.

Ennio Levi is ready to talk about business. Information about personal and family matters have to be sought largely from other sources; yet they must be mentioned, or the picture is incomplete. Levi had two sons, Maurizio and Paulo. Maurizio volunteered for the Six Day War, settled in Israel, and got married in August 1973. He was killed three months later, while fighting a second time for Israel in the Yom Kippur War.

Paulo left Italy as a volunteer in that same war, though he was only 20 years old. He has settled in Israel and works for Nilit. Ennio himself makes it clear that he is not the richest Jew in Italy. Yet according to the Keren Ha'Yesod he has been the biggest donor to the United Israel Appeal and remains one of the top donors in all of Europe. Few families overseas can have contributed to Israel in so many — and such costly — ways.



OVERSTOCKED: U.S. warehouses are bulging with unsold goods as a result of the economic slowdown. Some 100,000 mobile-home wheel rims form a massive wall at Goodyear Tire Company's outdoor warehouse in Akron, Ohio. They're protected against the weather by anti-corrosive paints. (UPI)

'Buy Israel' show launched in London

By DAVID LENNON
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — Israeli flags have suddenly sprouted all over northwest London, marking the opening of an Israeli fortnight. A wide-scale promotion of Israeli consumer goods is currently in full swing with the cooperation of over 80 shops in the Golders Green and Hendon suburbs.

The event is being organized by the Zionist Federation's Economic Committee for Israel, with the cooperation of the Israel Embassy. Mrs. Shaindy Mason, secretary of the committee, explained that the aim of the fortnight is to demonstrate to the public and shopkeepers the range, quality and competitive prices of Israeli products.

Special events taking place during the promotion include Israeli cookery demonstrations, restaurants featuring Israeli dishes, "taste-ins" and tourist promotions.

In previous years Israeli weeks hav been held in big London stores like Selfridges, but this year for some reason they were unenthusiastic about the idea. Because of this at was decided to switch the idea to a whole area.

Profit-takers slow market advances

NEW YORK. — Profit-taking caught up with the New York stock market's 1975 rally last week to break a chain of five consecutive weekly advances.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials, set back more than 30 points last Monday and Tuesday, recovered somewhat later to finish with a 10.72 net decline at 739.05.

Standard and Poor's 500-stock composite index dropped 1.03 to 81.59, and the New York Stock Exchange index of more than 1,500 common stocks slipped .63 to 43.07.

"The market's momentum seemed to be waning," observed Ralph Acampora at Harris, Upham Co. "But that's normal when you consider that we've had a 170-point rise in the Dow since the early-December low. I think the questions people have about the extent of the recession were bound to slow the market down sooner or later."

Last week's total turnover of 92.83 million shares failed to match the previous week's 92.88 million.

In New York on Friday, the First National City Bank lowered its prime interest rate for business loans to 8¼ per cent from 8½ per cent, the lowest in 19 months.

The sharp decline in the prime rate — the key loan rate for corporate customers at commercial banks — reflects a slack in credit demand caused by the recession and efforts by the government to ease credit. The rate has dropped steadily since last August when it was at a record high of 12 per cent.

The prime rate has not been at 8¼ per cent since August 9, 1973.

On Friday, the dollar fell in Amsterdam to its ninth all-time low in a week, but on most other European money markets the U.S. currency took a breather in its recent headlong plummet.

The dollar closed the day's trading at 2.342 guilders in Amsterdam, down from Thursday's 2.346 — its previous all-time low quotation.

The dollar lost ground in London, too, where the pound sold for $2.430 against $2.4275 on Thursday, but on other markets the dollar eased back slightly from its more than two-month long slide.

The nosedive of the dollar, blamed by bankers on factors as diverse as the state of the U.S. economy, lack of confidence shown by Arab oil dealers and the lowering of prime interest rates by American banks, has effectively devalued the dollar about 7 per cent on some markets since late December. *(AP, UPI)*

Petitioner's wage claim

In the Supreme Court sitting as High Court of Justice
Before Justices Berinson, Witkon and Manny.

Mordechai Ashkenazi, Petitioner, v. National Labour Tribunal, Respondent (H.C. 6/75)

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HIGH COURT WILL REVIEW LABOUR TRIBUNAL DECISIONS ON RARE OCCASIONS

The High Court of Justice dismissed a petition for an order nisi calling upon the National Labour Tribunal to show cause why it should not change its decision not to award the petitioner compensation for delayed wage payments.

The petitioner had claimed compensation from his employer for a delay in payment of the wages he claimed were due to him. The Labour Tribunal dismissed this claim on the grounds that the delay in payment was caused by a genuine dispute as to whether the wages were owed or not. This decision was confirmed by the National Labour Tribunal, whereupon the petitioner petitioned the High Court of Justice, claiming that the decision was inconsistent with a High Court ruling in H.C. 108/66 (3 P.D. 20/388).

The petitioner appeared on his own behalf.

DECISION

Justice Berinson, who delivered the decision of the High Court, first considered whether the High Court should intervene at all before going into the merits of the case.

After the first five years of existence of the labour tribunals, he said, it would not be amiss to sum up the attitude of the High Court to the question of reviewing decisions handed down by the National Labour Tribunal. This attitude, he continued, was defined already in the very first petition brought against the National Labour Tribunal, heard at the time by a bench of five justices, and has been reiterated on several occasions. It can be summed up as follows: the High Court has the power to review decisions of the labour tribunals, but will not exercise this power whensoever a labour tribunal commits an error or oversight, reserving its right of discretion to do so. In fact, he continued, the High Court has dismissed petitions for orders nisi against the labour tribunal on most occasions, the justification for this being that the labour tribunals are composed of experts in the field of labour relations and that it was preferable, therefore, to leave it to fulfil their functions to the best of their understanding and expertise and not to interfere with every decision which might not be exactly in keeping with the opinions of the High Court.

Furthermore, continued Justice Berinson, it must be recalled that the High Court is not in duty bound to grant an order nisi even if from a purely legal viewpoint there are grounds for doing so. For the remedy of orders nisi is subject to considerations of justice or public interest. If, therefore, a labour tribunal should err in a matter of general public importance, or on an important point of law, or if there be a question of justice involved, then the High Court would be called upon to put it on the right track; but not otherwise.

Returning to the case under consideration, Justice Berinson held that while it was quite possible that the respondent had failed to evaluate some of the facts correctly, it was manifest that there had been genuine differences of opinion between the petitioner and his employer as to the amount of wages owing to him. There was, therefore, certainly no issue of general importance, or any question of doing justice at stake, and for this reason he thought that the petition should be dismissed.

Decision given on January 20, 1975.

Big push to rekindle North American aliya

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NEW YORK. — THE RECESSION has all but paralysed retail sales here. The cavernous department stores which used to hum with shoppers are strangely hushed. Business is very, very slow; people are not buying.

"Business" is also quite bad at 515 Park Avenue, the imposing headquarters of the World Zionist Organization-Jewish Agency.

"Where, O where, are all those bigger immigrants?" asks Yehoshua Yadlin, director of the Israel Aliya Centre, and overseer of all Jewish Agency immigration emissaries and their activities. "In 1969 and 1970 a potential immigrant here would have to wait several weeks for an appointment with a *shaliah*... today, we wait around hoping someone will walk in and enquire about settling in Israel."

Immigration business was indeed good five years ago, with almost 6,000 American and Canadian Jews a year going to settle in Israel. In contrast, the 1974 figures bear sullen testimony to the wan-ing appeal Israel has for American Jews now, as far as immigration is concerned.

Last year, only 2,838 people from North America immigrated to Israel, and 10 per cent of these were returning Israelis classified as North Americans by virtue of their extended residence here. In addition, the Aliya Centre is "credited" with another 1,053 souls—tourists who changed their status to immigrant or potential immigrant while visiting Israel.

Thus, a grand total of 3,891 for the year. The net total depends, of course, on whose re-emigration statistics you accept. Some sources, such as the Absorption Ministry, say 10 to 20 per cent of North American immigrants return to their countries of origin within the first three years of their arrival in Israel. Other observers, such as former immigration emissaries, say the number is much higher — perhaps 30 to 45 per cent.

Yehoshua Yadlin with Jewish Agency Chairman Pinhas Sapir at an aliya rally in Boston recently. (Halberstadt)

What are your estimates for 1975?, *The Jerusalem Post* asked Mr. Yadlin, an earnest, hardworking man who is the brother of Education Minister Aharon Yadlin.

"We're hoping for a 25 per cent increase over last year's total," he replied. "But that's not going to satisfy us. As Pinhas Sapir announced recently, we are moving full speed ahead to attain an annual immigration of 25,000 people from the U.S. and Canada within five years."

Social absorption

"Better social absorption efforts by Israelis would make our job much easier," Yadlin told me. "When we study the cases of immigration failures — the returnees — we frequently discover 'unfriendliness' listed among the reasons. Of course, this may be just an excuse in many cases, but there must be some truth to it in other instances.

"Most of the adjustment difficulties appear to be connected with the wives and children of the North American immigrants. So we are always trying to improve our techniques."

Yadlin, who took over as *aliya* director here last July, is now pushing group immigration as one way of easing absorption into the mainstream of Israel life. Whenever several families are ready to make the move, they are introduced to each other and encouraged to co-ordinate their next move in such a way as to ensure a continuing social bond after they reach Israel.

Another innovation is the guarantee of a specific flat for a family before it packs its first suitcase. Instead of assuring the couple, "You can live in a Jewish Agency sponsored house in Jerusalem," the emissary today shows the family the floor plan of the flat, giving full details, including the street address. Even the wall closet areas are shown. For Jerusalem-bound emigrants, Ramot is the currently favoured district.

Mr. Yadlin has also called upon the "young guards" of Israel's political parties to set up their own welcome-the-immigrants committees, and the AACA here is asking members of its Israel counterpart — AACI — to "adopt" new American and Canadian settler families, to make them feel more at home as soon as they arrive. Finally, Mr. Yadlin has inaugurated "Mifal Pen-pal," through which families registered for aliya are put in touch with Israel families via post. This correspondence, he says, can lead to lasting friendships and help in the absorption process.

On employment prospects, Mr. Yadlin believes all the talk about an over-supply of professionals in Israel is not pertinent. He says: "True, 42.2 per cent of the people who apply to us are professionals. But we tell them they will have no problem whatsoever finding a job — if they are willing to be flexible and re-train if necessary."

The big push for North American *aliya* began on Purim and will last until after Passover. "We have high hopes for the 1975 Aliya Month," Yehuda Kesten told *The Post*. Kesten, one of the Jewish Agency's 36 immigration emissaries in North America, was recently brought in from his office in San Francisco, to direct Aliya Month.

He said seven American and Canadian immigrants who have successfully settled in Israel will be flown to the U.S. to address parlour meetings and campus assemblies, in the hope of convincing Jews here to settle in Israel.

Other "stars" during North American Aliya Month will be Moshe Dayan, Abba Eban and Pinhas Sapir, all of whom are slated to address large groups to stress Israel's need for immigrants.

He said the families who respond to these moves represent a true cross-section of the American Jewish community. Quite a few of these families are mixed marriages. But Jewish Agency workers assure them that having one of the partners non-Jewish has no bearing at all on Israel's eagerness to have them come and settle. "The Law of Return is very clear on that point," he said. "We make no distinction whatsoever between all-Jewish and part-Jewish families. We want both types."

However, adds Yehoshua Yadlin, when you get past the initial stages and down to actual emigration the picture changes. "Of the people who actually leave for Israel, we find that not only are the great majority of families all-Jewish, but even quite traditionally Jewish as well. In other words, the decision to settle in Israel is made not only on the basis of Zionist efforts. It is the result of a deeper commitment to the land, a commitment that antedates their response to the booklets we send out and the parlour meetings we organize."

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In Beersheba the seminar will take place on March 4, 1975, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon at the Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel, 2 Rehov Hahistadrut, for U.S. retirees and pensioners.

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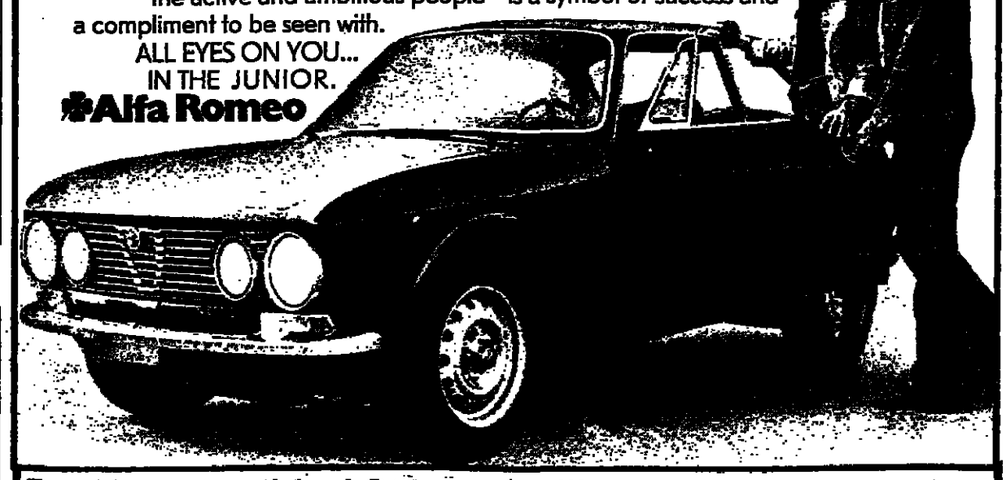

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SADAT AND THE PLO

THE DISPUTE between President Sadat and the Palestine Liberation Organization has flared suddenly and dramatically, focusing attention on this complex and shifting relationship as the Middle East prepares for Dr. Kissinger's coming negotiating attempt.

The PLO, after long and evidently heated deliberations within its own councils, issued a sharp statement attacking the American step-by-step approach, and in effect accusing Egypt of selling out the broader Arab interest in an unseemly barter to retrieve part of its own territory, and perhaps buy peace for itself. Mr. Sadat's reaction was a pointed and public refusal to receive a PLO delegation in Cairo.

With the American diplomatic effort still in full flow and about to enter upon its critical phase, the PLO clearly feels it is being left very much on the touchlines as events pass it by.

Its own international diplomatic successes last year, which culminated in Yasser Arafat's triumphal appearance at the UN General Assembly, must seem to them to be dissipating without the PLO being able to translate them into practical successes in the region. The diplomatic successes have led to yet more diplomatic successes — but too little in the way of genuine political achievement.

Mr. Sadat still appears to be determinedly heading towards a second-stage settlement with Israel, and thence, possibly, to Geneva — a course which can cause the PLO only misgivings and discomfort. And yet, as the events unfold, they point up the PLO's very limited ability to influence them.

The second-stage negotiations due to begin next weekend under Dr. Kissinger's shuttling auspices are — at Israel's firm insistence — to be unmistakably characterized as *political* talks aiming at a *political* settlement. They will proceed nominally within the general framework of the UN Resolutions and may be followed by other, broader negotiations possibly involving Israel's other neighbours too.

For the PLO, progress towards any kind of political settlement with Israel is anathema. It implies acceptance of Israel as a sovereign and permanent entity. A small minority of "ultra-moderates" within the Organization suggests it might settle for the 1947 Partition Plan. The majority, whose views were voiced by Mr. Arafat himself at the UN, still aspires to a fully "secular Palestine" in place of the Jewish sovereign state.

The PLO's increasing fears over the imminent Egypt-Israel negotiations are no doubt genuine. Some caution is called for, however, in viewing Mr. Sadat's apparent eagerness to publicize — or at least not to stifle — his noisy dispute with the terror Organization.

It may already be anticipated that Secretary Kissinger will seize upon the Cairo-PLO dispute to bolster his argument that Sadat is fighting courageously to reach an accord and that Israel, therefore, should encourage him by a show of flexibility and concessions. Indeed, it may well have been with an eye to such welcome pressures by the Secretary upon the Israeli negotiators that Mr. Sadat has played for maximum publicity for his tiff with the terrorists.

The counter-argument, which the Israeli negotiators, it is hoped, will advance, is that for Israel to soften its insistence on the *political* character of a settlement would be to play into the PLO's hands. It is neither Israel's interest, nor Dr. Kissinger's — nor, ultimately, Egypt's — to engineer a reconciliation between Cairo and the PLO on Arafat's terms. That would be to let them call the tune.

FORD ADMINISTRATION'S COMMITMENTS TO SAIGON

'Let Cambodia go — but save Vietnam'

By JOSEPH KRAFT

WASHINGTON. — LET CAMBODIA go with a bang not a whimper. Blame the "catastrophe" on the Congress. Then get a blank check for aid to South Vietnam, and a more defensive Congressional posture on all other foreign policy issues.

That, in a nutshell, is the Administration strategy for the current crisis in Southeast Asia. It is a strategy that should not survive even casual analysis of the military situation in Cambodia and the diplomatic and political conditions in South Vietnam.

In Cambodia the picture is clear. The regime of President Lon Nol is in trouble because the capital, Phnom Penh, has been cut off from supplies by land and sea. It cannot be saved unless the Mekong River supply route is reopened.

Defence Secretary James Schlesinger and other senior Defence Department officials agree that it is up to the Cambodians, not the Congress, to reopen the supply route. "Mike Mansfield can't lead the supply column," one of these officials said. "Neither can Carl Albert. There's just nothing the Congress can do about opening the supply route to Phnom Penh."

Given the clear responsibility of the Cambodians, why would anybody even venture to pin the blame on the Congress? The answer emerges in the question Dr. Kissinger asked himself at his news conference last Tuesday. "What," he mused, "will be the consequences if Vietnam and Cambodia did fall?"

"I believe," he answered, "that if Vietnam falls as a result of an American decision to cut off its aid, this will have over a period of time the most serious consequences." In other words, the problem is not saving Cambodia, it is keeping up aid to Vietnam. Indeed, the American Ambassador to Saigon, Graham Martin, has been arguing inside the State Department that the Administration should let Cambodia go the better to maintain commitments to South Vietnam.

But what are these commitments? President Ford in his press conference on Wednesday, and in other statements, has repeatedly cited "the obligation" incurred under the Paris Treaty of 1973. But the Paris terms stipulate the United States has an option to resupply Saigon — not a commitment.

Perhaps President Nixon and Dr. Kissinger did make some kind of commitment in order to get Saigon to the Paris bargaining table in 1972. But if so, we should all know about it. Indeed, Congress should make it a first order of business to find out if there are any secret commitments.

In any case, if there is an aid commitment to South Vietnam, it is like so many of the commitments made in recent times. It is a commitment made without adequate reference to the Congress — certainly not to the changed character of the Congress.

The requirement now is that the Congress square its present existence with whatever commitment has been made to Vietnam. [illegible] an open-and-shut case.

In South Vietnam, unil[illegible] dia, there is a strong [illegible] resistance. Millions of [illegible] Catholics, refugees an[illegible] workers and peasants [illegible] North Vietnamese C[illegible] Thanks to their efforts [illegible] munists have been hel[illegible] years.

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FLEEING TO SAFER POINTS — Civilians flock to a fishing trawler loaded down with residents fleeing a besieged province near Phnom Penh sometime last March. (AP)

ISRAEL PRESS

A PLO WARNING

DAVAR (Histadrut) says the PLO meeting in Damascus, which has so sharply attacked the American attempt to bring about a further partial settlement, "serves as a warning sign of the difficulties Dr. Kissinger is likely to encounter in his forthcoming visit. It represents not only the PLO but also President Assad, who hastened to deny the 'peace talk' attributed to him by the Secretary of State, who in Cairo will find Sadat under heavy pressure from the PLO and Syria. The terrorist organizations may not have the power to impose their will on Egypt internally, but may be able to force her into a conflagration. These circumstances may explain why Egypt is now intensifying military preparedness, and giving publicity to new shipments of Soviet arms. Whether this reflects Egypt's reaction to pressures from the extremists in the Arab world or its own desire for a new military adventure, the results are likely to be wrought with danger."

AL HAMISHMAR (Mapam) notes the cordial welcome accorded Foreign Minister Allon in West Germany, and stresses the importance of the visit "at a time when Israel faces growing political isolation. The oil weapon and Arab capital provide the setting for Israel's campaign in Western Europe.

"West Germany has considerable influence in Europe, and Israel has a positive interest in preventing an attitude of bias in Western Europe and the EEC stemming from the pressures of the oil barons. It is to be hoped that Bonn will take more vigorous moves to bring about a balanced European policy on the Middle East, and that the dialogue between Europe and the Arabs, even though not directly concerned with economics and oil, will not be detrimental to Israel's vital interests.

HA'ARETZ (independent) says that the Knesset cannot be expected to accept the budget and the defence appropriations as a *fait accompli*, and merely to rubber-stamp the Finance Minister's bill. There should be a debate on all the controversial aspects of the budget, the paper says, and goes on to criticize the Government for failing to set an example in enhancing efficiency and savings.

HATZOFE (National Religious) is concerned at the differences between the two Chief Rabbis and hopes that the institution of the Chief Rabbinate will survive.

AROUND TOWN — SRAYA SHAPIRO

'Adloyada': Original Purim 'happening'

WAS PURIM really so joyful and care-free in the good old days of the Adloyada? — Let's be honest and leave the romantic treatment of the past to Dan Almagor. Those were the days of "tradition forming," of "foundation laying." The "Joy of Purim" was one such need. Like State building in an area which was still under a British colonial administration. Form in quest of content. But, as everybody saw it in this light, the creaks and failures were readily forgiven as inevitable. We shall do better next time. Our children will do even better, when their time comes, for they will have learned the knack, have the tradition... Everything was in the future then. Even the streets were only half-paved, with wide swathes of sand left near the sidewalks. To be completed when the situation improved.

Carnival fun

The real fun of the "Carnival" (the "Adloyada" was a later invention) was mainly for the participants. The public lined the streets, filled the balconies, climbed on rooftops and "Rutenberg" lamp-posts. The procession wove its way with difficulty through the unruly crowd. The floats were drawn by horses, but the automobile replaced them in later years. Dizengoff reportedly rode a white horse, but few ever managed to catch a glimpse of him, except the happy inhabitants of Allenby Road's second and third floor flats?

The "Carnival" was supposed to boost public morale. In 1926 and 1927, the economic situation was at a low compared with which our present condition can be considered the zenith of prosperity. People were leaving the country because there was no work, no prospect of finding a job before being starved out — not for any kind of ideological reason.

The Adloyada was the brainchild, and often the actual production, of that imaginative and rhapsodic dreamer, the late Moshe Halevy. Halevy, creator of the Ohel Workers' Theatre, was in search of a kind of big, public "happening," before "happenings" were invented. Baruch Agadati (who turned 80 just a few weeks ago) looked for the individual. His Queen Esther balls (which were the country's first beauty contests) were enjoyed by the privileged few who could afford the entrance fee, which was high. The egalitarian spirit, for which this epoch is famous, was the province of the "halutzim" who discussed social theories well into the night sipping tea which Altshuler served for half a grush in the backyard of his "cafe" in Allenby Road.

The moneyed society of the time consisted of merchants and orange-grove owners, and those recent immigrants from Poland who still had some foreign currency in reserve. A few of them even aped the manners of the British administration. It was the British civil servants who introduced the tropical white dinner jackets and the foxtrot.

Agadati was a painter who switched to ballet, and became the first solo dancer of the Yishuv, the protagonist of a new expressive art which everybody praised. He always dressed elegantly. Agadati came from Odessa — that is to say he belonged to that unique clan of Russian Jewry which possessed a lively sense of joy far removed from the morose "White Russians" and the fashionable "Poles." Odessa was a port city; it had the flavour of the Mediterranean; it was famous for its Greeks and its Jewish pickpockets. In fact, it bred civilized and energetic men who did wonders in commerce, engineering and the arts. But Agadati would have failed if his "call to joy" had coincided with the "Grabski" aliya from Poland in the 1920s, and the "Hitler" aliya from Germany in the early 1930s. For these two waves of immigration brought people with a tradition of elegant social life, many of them young and undismayed by political and economic vicissitudes — not even by the mediocre quality of the improvised dance bands.

Politics intervened only too often with the Purim revels. In 1921, a festive procession was called off as news came of the death of Trumpeldor at Tel Hai. After 1936, there were no Adloyadas to speak of, first because of the Arab "disturbances," then because of World War II, and later, because some disaster or other was always in the air, making public merriment seem inappropriate, even scandalous.

Soon after the establishment of the State, Agadati was again toying with the idea of making Purim a popular festival: stop the traffic in the main streets, persuade cafe-owners to decorate their establishments, offer free wine. But the city fathers of Tel Aviv were not from Odessa. There were political worries, security considerations, the at-home traditions of the solid paterfamilias. Agadati turned his energies to painting again. And Purim remained the festival of the kids in the kindergartens.

Painter-dancer Baruch Agadati

Detail from Agadati's self-portrait, painted in the 1950s.

READERS' LETTERS

Israelis who want to return h[illegible]

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In your issue of December 13, your reporters interviewed Mr. Pinhas Sapir. He is reputed to have said that, as far as he was concerned, "People were more important than arms." How true, but how difficult to achieve.

One sphere where I feel matters have been neglected is that which concerns returning residents. New immigrants receive rights which to an Israeli seems unfair. To Israelis who have been abroad for over five years, returning can be, to say the least, extremely difficult.

I arrived in Israel as an immigrant in 1961 as a 20-year-old and, after marrying an Israeli, in 1966 returned to South Africa. I now intend to return and have no so-called rights in spite of the fact that, in 1961, I took no advantage of any of the rights due to an immigrant, because of my youth. My wife and I are now in the position that, with our two children, returning to Israel is a real financial hardship.

In addition, my parents, brother, sister-in-law and nephew, sister, brother-in-law and niece are all going on aliya. They can take everything they want free of customs or purchase tax, while I have to pay tax on nearly everything I bring with me.

Maybe Mr. Sapir car[illegible] words with action, as I [illegible] other people in my po[illegible] also consider returning, [illegible] to receive some sort of [illegible]

C.F. B[illegible]

Brakpan, South Africa.

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Mr. Bloomberg can t[illegible] the immigration offices [illegible] African Zionist Federat[illegible] hannesburg or Cape Tu[illegible] request will be transm[illegible] department for processi[illegible] sion.

Of course, Mr. Bloom[illegible] expect that Israelis wh[illegible] here and left should ge[illegible] help as new immigran[illegible] inter-ministerial commi[illegible] powered to recommend [illegible] various relief measures [illegible] vidual basis in order to [illegible] absorption process.

No moral rights for Soviet[illegible]

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — What right has Russia to demand that Israel return the administered territories?

Thirty years after World War II, Russia still occupies immense territories, which she conquered during the war. No mention is ever made of returning them to their former owners. The excuse for these conquests was to "secure" the borders of the U.S.S.R. against threats of invasion by neighbours. For instance, after the Russian invasion of Finland and the peace treaty of 1940, Finland had to give up vast areas of East-Karelia including Vyborg, the second biggest town of the country, thus making three quarters of a million people homeless! All this to safeguard the approaches to Leningrad and its port.

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YOCHA[illegible]

Hagoshrim, February 1[illegible]

FLUSHING DEVICE TO SAVE W[illegible]

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — It was with interest and also some surprise that I read your report on the "new" invention of Dr. Ze'ev Raz of the Ben-Gurion University in Beersheba for a toilet-flush system with two chains (February 17).

It brought back happy memories of my home in a small town in Holland, where my father was the director of the water company. One day — I must have been about 10 (I am now in my fifties) — my father showed us a new device for saving water when flushing the toilet. It had two chains, one for [illegible] one for solids. We child[illegible] lighted at the novelty [illegible] choice of two chains a[illegible] pulled the long one wh[illegible] a small quantity of wa[illegible] short one for a regular [illegible] not remember ever hav[illegible] anywhere else and we [illegible] of it. My father told us t[illegible] firm wanted to try out [illegible] but it apparently did not [illegible] the time.

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